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Our Washington Correspondent who has Been Ill for Several Weeks, is now "Back in the Harness."

TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF CHARLES SUMNER

Mrs. Kate Coleman has Entered a $5,000 Damage Suit Against W. Calvin Chase—An Inspiring Message from the Mayor of Battersea—New Stenographer at Freedmen's Hospital—Howard University Dramatic Club to Present "Richelieu" in a Few Weeks—Heflin Presents "Jim Crow" Car Bill.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

(Bureau of The Freeman, 1337 Wallach Place. N. W.)

The Washington correspondent of this paper has been seriously ill for the past three weeks, which accounts for the absence of his usual budget of news notes from the nation's capital. eH is now "in the harness" again and, beginning afresh with the New Year, he hopes to greet his patrons regularly for the fifty-two weeks of 1914. The newspapers which have been kind enough to furnish us with complimentary copies throughout the past year have our sincere thanks. We shall appreciate a continuance of the favor, and those who have not been sending will confer an everlasting obligation upon us if they will kindly join the procession and let us know what they are doing for the uplift of the race. tI shall be our aim to hold up the mirror to the bright side of the Negro's history, and to chronicle his creditable achievements, to

"Naught extenuate,
Nor set down augh in malice."

We hope to go on in the good work, unspoiled by the plaudits of friends, and undeterred by the "knocks" of enemies. Selah!

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The National Negro Academy in Session.

The seventeenth annual session of the National American Negro Academy met here this week at the Y. M. C. A. building on 12th street Northwest, holding two forth two days. On Monday Mr. Archibald H. Grimke, of Boston, president of the academy, delivered his annual address, and the routine business was transacted, including the election of officers. nI the evening Roscoe Conkling Bruce, Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools, spoke on "The School and the Community," and L. M. Hershaw discussed "The Negro Laborer Before the Law." On Tuesday the program included a paper by Prof. E. C. Williams, principal of M Street High School, on "The Universal Race Problem;" an address on "Popular Fallacies of the Negro," by Orishatukeh Faduma, and a treatment of the subject, "The Negro Awakening to a Sense of His Native Worth and True Place in History," by Rev. Matthew Anderson, of Philadelphia. The local arrangements were capably handled by Prof. J. W. Cromwell, corresponding secretary of the Academy. The attendance was the largest known in recent years.

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Celebrating Birth of Charles Sumner.

The birthday of the immortal Charles Sumner will be celebrated in elaborate fashion next Tuesday evening at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, under the auspices of the District of Columbia Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The speakers for the occasion will include Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the New York Evening Post; Senator M. E. Clapp, of Minnesota; Justice Wendell P. Stafford, and Rev. I. N. Ross. Admission will be free and a record-breaking attendance is expected to commemorate the noble deeds of the "father" of the civil rights bill an dchampion of equality of all men before the law.

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"Lawyer-Editor" W. Calvin Chase in Trouble.

W. Calvin Chase, who poses as "editor" of The Washington Bee, and between times practices law at the District bar, is in trouble again. Suit has been entered against him for damages in the sum of $5,000 by Mrs. Kate Coleman, for alleged failure to prosecute "with due care and diligence" her suit against certain persons for alleged defamation of character. Plaintiff says she paid the defendant Chase $200, and alleges that through his carelessness and ignorance of correct legal procedure she has been barred by the statute of limitations from vindicating her good name. The case is attracting a great deal of attention throughout the District because of the prominence of the parties concerned and the outcome will be watched with deep interest. Popular sympathy is with Mrs. Coleman, and she is being applauded everywhere for having the "nerve" to demand her rights before the law. Her courageous action is contrasted to her credit with the sniveling cowardice that too often characterizes individuals in this city when brought into conflict with this alleged "lawyer-editor. It is the hope of the masses that Mrs. Coleman will secure the vindication she seeks and bring to book anyone who has taken her money without earning it. Mrs. Coleman, with J. M. George as her attorney, has al sofiled suit against Louisa Holmes for $5,000 with alleged slander as a basis of her complaint.

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An Inspiring Message From the Mayor of Battersea.

Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Municipal Court, is in receipt of an illuminated Christmas card from His Honor, John Richard Archer, the newly-elected mayor of Battersea, extending the compliments of "The Mayor and Mayoress of Battersea, N. W.," with thanks for congratulatory expressions sent by Judge Terrell a short time ago. As everyone knows, the Mayor of Battersea is a colored man, and a speech delivered just after his election, indicated that he is not ashamed of the [illegible] Color was not an issue in the mayoralty campaign, but Councillor Archer does not disguise his satisfaction that [illegible] for a man of color to win [illegible] on his merits as a civic and [illegible] factor of a community made [illegible] of whites. The card received by Judge Terrell bore this significant [illegible], an original production by Mr. Archer himself:

"God will not ask thy race,
Nor will He ask thy birth;
Alone will He demand of thee
'What hast thou done on Earth?'"

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New Stenographer at Freedmen's Hospital.

Mr. Ulysses S. Garnes, of Nashville, Tenn., is the new stenographer at Freedmen's Hospital, succeeding Mrs. Gilbert B. D. Gordon (nee Miss Arsine Elizabeth Jones), who has gone to Kingston, Jamaica, to join her husband, whom she married last summer in this city, but who went ahead to prepare a home for his bride. Mr. Garnes is an accomplished manipulator of the keys and note pad and will prove a valuable assistant to Suregon-in-Chief W. A. Warfield.

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Nuggets of News.

If you see itin The Bee, it isn't so!

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It is a waste of energy to bandy words wit ha journalistic bonehead who doesn't know the difference between non-partisan newsmatter and political advocacy.

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T. L. Leatherwood is busy with a plan to start a $30,000 steam laundry, to be financed with Negro capital and operated with Negro labor.

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Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson and Lawyer Thomas L. oJnes appeared before the Republican National Committee at its recent meeting here and made elosuent pleas for fair treatment of the Negro in the councils of the party and that his welfare be duly considered in all policies adopted with reference to the next national convention.

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Word comes from Baltimore that since the receipt of the $65,000 by Rev. Ernest Lyon from the American Colonization Society for the transportation of persons desiring to locate in Liberia, there have been numerous applications for aid in making homes in the African Republic. The latest to go is Augustus Faulkner, who is to take charge of a cold storage plant at Monrovia. Liberia offers extraordinary inducements to young colored men, who have some money and who are willing to invest it and their special talents in the development of the country's rich natural resources.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington has our thanks for a large, artistic placard, carrying as a "Christmas Greeting" that significant excerpt from "The Man Farthest Down," beginning "One cannot hold another down in the ditch without staying down in the ditch with him." Substantial Xmas remembrances came from Supreme Worthy Counsellor Joseph L. Jones, Warren W. Banks, of Winchester, Ky., Daniel Freeman, Minister G. W. Buckner, Liberia, Mme. C. J. Walker, Jamaica, and others, mentionable and unmentionable.

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Hugh E. Macbeth, formerly editor of the Baltimore Times, dropped in a few days ago to say "good-bye." He is to locate in Los Angeles, Cal., for the practice of law. He will handle real estate and probably will re-enter the newspaper business on the Pacific coast. Mr. Macbeth is a graduate of the law department of Harvard University.

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J. Finley Wilson, traveling deputy for the Elks, spent the holiday season with his mother at Norfolk, Va. He is laying elaborate plans for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge of Elks at Norfolk next August, acting with the local committees in this important work.

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It is one of the unpleasant memories of the local Odd Fellows that the site of the great office building and assembly rooms of the National eGographic Society at the fashionable corner of M street and the Avenue of the Presidents could have been secured twenty-five years ago for almost a "song," but they were not far-seeing enough to take advantage of their golden opportunity. They bought a parcel on Y street, around the coner, which was a good thing as far as it went, but had they invested a trifle more and acquired the corner along with it they would have been "out of the barrel for life.'

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A pleasing letter from the Hon. John Wanamaker, the Philadelphia merchant prince, thanks your correspondent for "kindly expressions of good will," etc., contained in various contributions to the papers of the country since the August convention of the National Negro Business League, in connection with which Mr. Wanamaker extended marked courtesies to the delegates and visitors who thronged the City of Brotherly Love.

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The Treasury Department is coming in for fervent praise at the hands of the many depositors of the United States Trust Company for its timely intervention just before Christmas, through which 55,000 men, women and children were saved from financial loss and a possible panic of large proportions was averted. Thousands of the depositors in the United States Company's six banks were colored persons.

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Rev. Sterling N. Brown, after a service extending over many years, has resigned the pastorate of Lincoln Temple Congregational Church and will devote his entire time to his work as a professor in the Theological Department of Howard University. Recently Dr. Brown read a scholarly paper before the Bible College and Institute for Civic and Social Betterment on "Some Sociological Conditions at Washington: How Best to Mee Them." The Industrial Center is at 2422 K street and has been established about six years. Prof. Jesse Lawson is the head of the movement.

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A "Booster Committee" is to be appointed to work in connection with the National Negro Business League. Its duty will be to talk up the good points of Washington as a place to bu ya home, start a business or do something for the social uplift. If a business man makes an improvement, if a teacher or department employee is promoted for good service, or a professional man scores a hit in any kind of a case or operation, it is up to the "Booster Committee" to see that it is given the widest publicity.

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Dr. James E. Shepard, president of the National Religious Training School, Durham, N. C., delivered a telling address Sunday afternoon at the Florida Avenue Baptist church. A large crowd listened to his story of the constructive work he is doing in the Southland, and a goodly sum was taken up to assist in supplying some of the needs citetd.

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The Howard University Dramatic Club is to present Bulwer-Lytton's masterpiece "Richelieu" in a few weeks. The cast is to be a capable one. It is the intention of A. H. Tavernier, the manager, to present the play in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Richmond and other neighboring cities following its introduction here at the Howard Theater.

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Frank W. Cheek, of Detroit, Mich., has resigned his clerkship in the Municipal Building and will probably return to his home.

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Rev. Simon P. W. Drew, pastor of the Cosmopolitan Baptistt Temple, has been present with a commodious house by his congregation. The home is located at 1317 Corcoran street northwest, and is said to be worth $7,000.

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The series of lectures in the Department of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences, Howard Universityt, will be continued January 7 with an address on "The Sex Question and Segregation," by Hon. A. H. Grimke. January 14 the subject wil lbe "Educating the Ante-Bellum Negro," by Prof. C. G. Woodson, Ph. D., of the M Street High School. Other lectures will be announced later by Prof. Kelly Miller, Dean.

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The concert by the Washington Concert Orchestra Sunday afternoon at the Howard Theater was largely attended, and the program presented by the forty accomplished musicians, under the leadership of Prof. Harry A. Williams, was one of the finest ever heard here, reminding one very vividly of the finished performance of the Clef Club, which was here a short time ago. The soloists were Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, baritone, and Prof. Felix Fowler Weir, violinist. Another concert by the orchestra will be given soon.

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The North State Mutual Improvement Company (Inc.) held a public meeting last week at the Metropolitan Baptist church. Prof. E. C. Williams spoke on "The Value of Corporation;" Mr. J. F. Holland on "Business Enterprises," and Rev. M. W. D. Norman showed "Why Colored People Should Unite in Business." The officers of the North State Improvement Company are: John C. Dancy, president; H. C. Tyson, treasurer, and I. J. D. Lipscomb, secretary. The company has some valuable real estate in the District and is helping its members to secure homes for themselves.

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The fight (?) againstt Harmony Cemetery and Secretary-Manager John H. Cook, has been dropped like a hot potato. Nothing to it. Ditto the silly warfare on the powerful Mu-So-Lit Club. Ditto, the unsupported allegations against certain worthy trustees of Howard University. There were elements of a libel suit in some of these cases, and the opposition did not care to take any chances on being returned to the District jail, where he once did time for offenses against the commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness."

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The report of the death of Roscoe Conklung Simmons came like a clap of thunder to his many friends here. The denial was a pleasing relief. As in the case of the late Mark Twain, the report fo his death was "greatly exaggerated." R. R. Church, Jr., says Mr. Simmons is in Memphis, Tenn., alive and well.

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Lieut. Thomas H. R. Clarke addressed a large meeting Monday evening at the Colored Industrtial School at Hall's Hill, Va., filling a date for your correspondent, who was prevented by illness fro mbeing present. The faculty, students, parents and neighbors enjoyed Lieut. Clarke's practical talk on education and there were a number of recitations and songs. Mr. J. T. Bryant, of Hall's Hill, is interested in the development of this school, and is arranging monthly meetings to raise funds for the purchase of a piano and materials for the classes. We shall have more to say of this institution later.

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Lieut. Benjamin O. Davis and wife have returned from Liberia. Lieut. Davis has now gone to Fort Huachuca to join his command in the United States Army.

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Thomas H. Stewart has been appointed head messenger in the Patent Office, succeeding a white man who was given a clerkship by reason of a promotion examination. There were but four eligibles, all colored. Patent Commissioner Thomas Ewing, Jr., says Mr. Stewart was the best equipped man for the place in the service, colored or white, no matter how many eligibles there may have been.

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Dr. Peter J. Smith, secretary of the National Negro Democratic League, who rendered yeoman service last year for the national democratic ticket, has been appointed a deputy collector of internal revenue, income tax division, attached to the headquarters at Boston, Mass. The appointment gives great satisfaction to the colored democracy of the East and North. Dr. Smith has assumed his duties at Boston, his old home.

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A friendly "get together" dinner was held recently at the cosy home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Rogers, 1339 Wallach Place northwest, with Mr. Thomas F. Randall, of the office of the Controller of the Currency, as host. The guests were fellow-associates of Mr. Randall at the Treasury Department. Mr. Daniel Chapman was toastmaster. Talks were made by Messrs. W. B. Harris, Richard Green, William J. Wilson, Erastus Molen, John H. Simms, Roscoe L. Gray, Charles Pierce, D. D. Rogers, T. F. Randall and R. W. Thompson. Mr. Molen led the singing.

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According to the report of the Disttrict Commissioners the enrollment of colored pupils in the District of Columbia for the current year was 18,638; 1,872 were enrolled in the night schools. The colored teachers in the day schools numbered 559, and there were 66 colored teachers in the night schools.

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A. N. Scurlock, the well known photographer, is to install, in connection with his regular business, a department for the preparation of half-tone engravings and "cuts" of all kinds for newspaper and card service. This is a decided step forward and it is hoped that Mr. Scurlock will receive a patronage at the hands of the colored press and public of the country to justify the expense that this new feature entails.

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Representative Heflin, or Alabama, is the author of the bill in Congress providing for the separation of the races on the street cars of the District of Columbia. Some other fellow from the backwoods has introduced a bill to segregate the races in certain neighborhoods. Neither bill will become a law, as they will not be able to successfully run the gauntlet of House, Senate and White House.

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Agitation for the payment of the remaining 38 per cent. due the depositors of the illfated Freedmen's Bank is being continued by the colored organization formed for the purpose of pushing a bill to that end through Congress. The movement is headed by Rev. James L. White, and he has high hopes of ultimate success. The unclaimed money is to go toward the establishment of an old folks' home, according to the plans of Mr. White.

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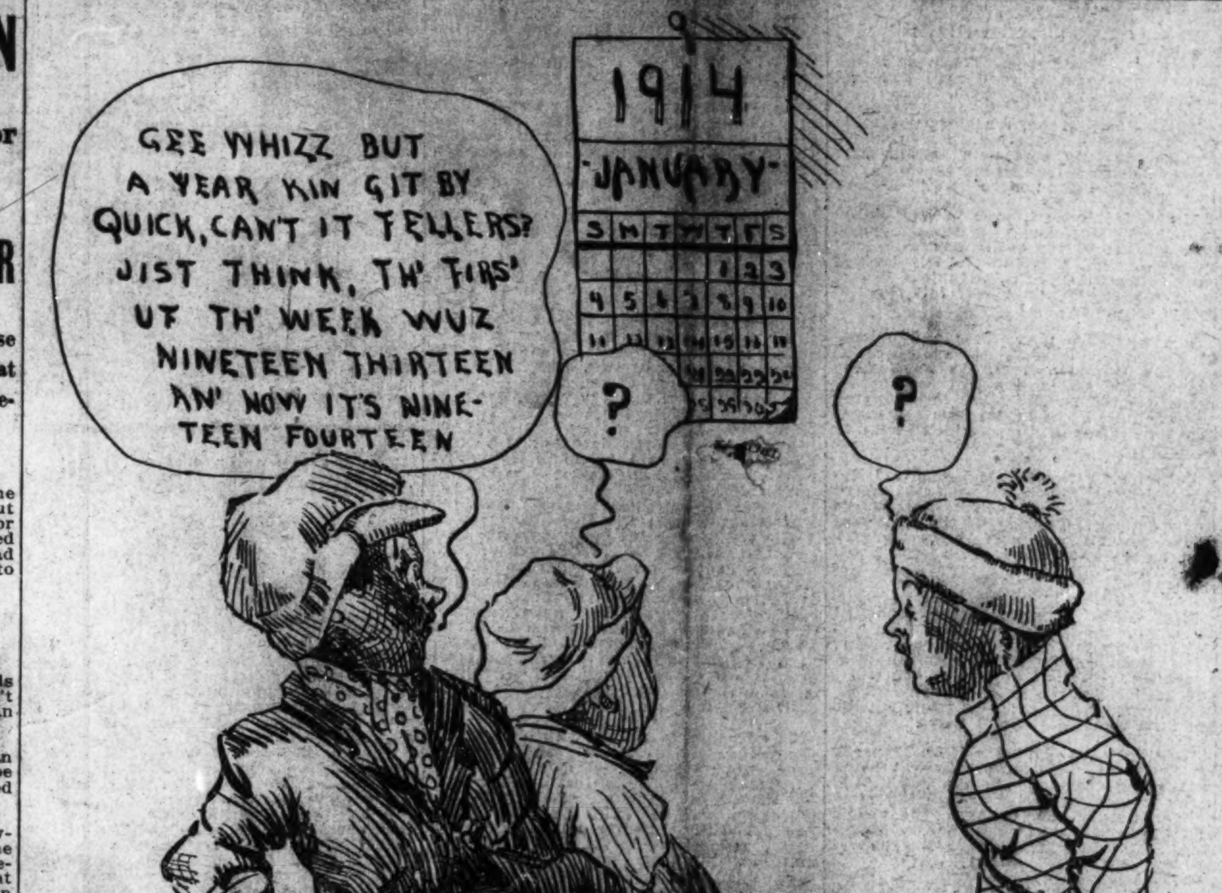
It is the opinion of the best informed citizens hereabouts that the money necessary to lift the mortgage on the home of the late Frederick Douglass will never be raised under the present management. Dr. Washington should name a new director of collections, if any success is to be achieved.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HARRY WILSON JACKSON

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Opposed to the Dismissal of the Editor and Manager of The Christian Recorder.

Special to The Freeman.

The Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting, which is composed of the leading pastors of Philadelphia and vicinity, belonging to the African Methodist Episcopal church, took a definite stand as to the action of the publication board in dismissing the editor and the business manager of the Christian Recorder and the book concern, when it refused to pass a resolution endorsing the action of the board. Rev. Henry Y. Arnett introduced a resolution to appoint a committee to draw up resolutions expressing it as the sense of the preachers' meeting that it approve of the action of the board. Rev. Arnett, who is himself an active candidate for one of the positions, made a long speech in favor of the resolutions, urging the ministers to stand by the board, and to make an expression as the people all over the connected expected of the Philadelphia brethren who are at the scene of action. Upon a vote the resolution was defeated by an overwhelming vote of 21 to 2.

NEWS OF CENTRALIA, ILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Hite and family, of Champaign, Ill., spent the holidays in Centralia. They gave a big dance while here....Mr. John Tardd, of Madison, Mo., visited relatives and old friends of Centralia. He says he has been away from here for 30 years....A shocking affal roccurred early Sunday morning in the sudden death of Mr. Louis Callaway. He arose in the morning, went on an errand and on his way back home he dropped to the ground, and by the time assistance arrived he was dead. Mr. Callaway leaves a wife and four sons, and a host of friends to mourn his loss. He went through the hardships of slavery. He was about 68 years old. Rev. Allison, of the Second Baptist church, conducted the funeral services....Mr. H. Yarber, of Champaign, Ill., and Mr. R. Price, of Decatur, Ill., spent the holidays in Centralia....The Household Ruth held an installation and entertainment last Monday evening....Mr. and Mrs. James Skinner were invited to a 5 o'clock breakfast on Christmas morning at the home of Mr. Harris. A six-course luncheon was served, and a joyous time was had....Mr. G. Hickman, of Champaign, Ill., visited his mother and other relatives and old friends durin gthe holidays....Mr. Henry and Joseph Bibbs went to Cairo, Ill., last week to attend the funeral of their old friend Mr. Van Xaxtar....The K. of P. lodge gave a grand entertainment Christmas eve and the Add Fellows on Christmas night. A good time was reported by those who attended....All the churches had Christmas trees....Mrs. Killian, of Posey, Ill., visited her son, Mr. S. Killian.

KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL!

The Masonic Lodge Gave a Swell Banquet in Odd Fellows' Temple and Installation of Officers—Rev. W. T. Silvey Gave Sumptuous Christmas Dinner to Men Representing All Vocations—Miss Selena F. Mayo Gives Yuletide Season Party—Miss Marietta P. Madison Welcomes Large Host of the Social Circle—Young Men Launch High Class Dances at the Academy.

(By Hardin Tolbert State Bureau, at People's Pharmacy, Both Phones 666, Box 233.)

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Special.—The annual installation and banquet of Meridian Sun lodge No. 26, F. and A. M., at Odd Fellows Temple, Friday night, was one of the swellest functions of the season. A member was entitled to invite two persons, which added much to the swell attendance. This occasion was very unique. The ladies were all beautifully dressed in the latest styl gowns., Nice music was rendered by the pianist. Program: Dr. W. H. Goodwin, master of ceremonies, "Introductory Christmas Greetings." He did not speak but a moment and then gave way to the visitor, Dr. C. H. Childs, a prominent physician of Washington, D. C., who is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tood. Dr. Childs delivered an eloquent address. Music. "Masonic Ties," Prof. J. L. Lawson. Music. "A Tramp in Masonry," Master Mason P. W. Williams. Music. "Masonry as a Lever to Progress," Master Mason James A. Ray. Music. "Square Me," Master Mason John M. Glass. Music, led by Worshipful Master H. B. Rosby and Master Mason L. R. Diggs. Installation of Most Worshipful Master and other officers of the Craft by Past Master Dr. E. E. Underwood. L. R. Diggs, W. M.; P. W. Williams, S. W.; James A. Ray, J. R.; Dr. W. H. Goodwin, treasurer; T. L. Brooks, secretary; John Shelton, assistant secretary; Richard Ray, senior; James Steward and Prof. W. H. Mayo, senior deacons; Dr. E. E. Underwood, junior deacon, and James Hudson, tyler. Menu: Fried oysters, cold turkey, country ham, salmon salad, sweet pickles, French peas on lettuce, cheese and wafers, beaten biscuits, assorted cakes, ices, candies, fruits, nuts, black coffee. Program committee, G. S. W. H. Mayo, chairman; Dr. W. H. Goodwin, Richard Ray. Committee on arrangements, James A. Ray, chairman; T. L. Brooks, John M. Glass, W. S. Jamerson, P. W. Williams, Dr. E. E. Underwood, Edmund Miller, James E. Hudson, B. F. Spencer, H. B. Rosby and Samuel Guy.

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Rev. W. T. Silvey, one of Kentucky's best-known ministers and pastor of the $30,000 Baptist church, gave a Christmas dinner at his beautiful residence on Normal Heights. The rooms were artistically decorated. Rev. Silvey's number of friends being so large, he could not entertain them all, so he extended invitations to men representative of all business and professions, who represented the people in general of the city. It was one of the most sumptuous dinners of the holiday season. The menu consisted of turkey, ham, hot rolls, cornbread, peas, corn, potatoes, tomatoes, fruit salad on leaf lettuce, cranberry jelly, fruit punch, cream, cake, black coffee. The following guests were present: Mr. T. L. Brooks, a contractor; Dean E. E. Reed, of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute; Dr. E. E. Underwood, Prof. Burt Lock, Mr. T. K. Robb, an undertaken; Mr. L. D. Williams, Storekeeper Gauger, Lawyer L. D. Smith, Mr. C. L. Timberlake, author of "Household Ethetics and Industrialism"; Mr. Ben D. Madison, steward at the Capital hotel; Mr. D. E. Reid, Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent. Mrs. Silvey and daughters prepared the dinner, which was so delightfuly enjoyed by the guests. Many vital questions of the day were discussed at the table for the betterment of the youth. All present enjoyed the hospitality of Rev. Silvey and his estimtable wife and daughters.

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Miss Selena F. Mayo, directress of domestic science at the Clinton Street high school, gave a yuletide social in honor of her guests, Misses Anderson, teacher at the State University; Alice Nugent, teacher at Central high school, Louisville; Mrs. B. F. Blanton and Mamie and Berta Jackson of Versailles, at her beautiful residence on Wilkerson street. The rooms were decorated with Christmas bells, ferns and flowers. This informal reception was a token of Miss Mayo's high esteem for her friends. Misses Marie P. Madison and Florence Anderson presided at the punch bowl. The Christmas color scheme was carried out. A six-course menu was served. Palmetto flowers were given to the guests as souvnnirs. Miss Mayo received much praise as a hostess.

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Miss Marie P. Madison, teacher in the Shelbyville high school, and one of the popular young ladies of the city, entertained a large number of friends at a breakfast at the cozy residence of her parents on Logan street. All the gaiety of Christmas decorations adorned the rooms, and a welcome was extended to a number of the social set that were visiting the capital. The affair was one of the brilliant functions of the holiday season.

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The City Federation met at the residence of Mrs. Tibatha L. Anderson on High street. A large number of ladies were present, and the hostess was the choice of the federation for the ensuing year. A four-course luncheon was delightfully served. Mrs. Anderson is one of the most energetic club and church workers in the city. It was through her efforts that the State Federation was invited and entertained here. She was afterward elected state organizer, which position she filled with much credit.

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The Berlin Whist Club gave its Christmas ball at the Capital City Dancing Academy Monday evening. A large number of popular young men and ladies attended. Music was furnished by the famous Redman's orchestra. Thic ball was given by the two popular terpsichorean artists, Messrs. L. T. Smith and S. D. Henry, and proved a success.

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Mrs. Mattie L. Anderson closed a successful school year at Farmdale School. The exercises were nice and reflected a considerable amount of credit upon the instructor. Mrs. Anderson is a graduate of the Clinton Street high school, and has taught for several years in the state.

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Mrs. Horace Dale, directress of the Louisa public school, was fortunate with a good night and an excellent program at Louisa, Ky. She is a graduate of the Clinton Street high school and has taught for several years in several counties. She is more impressed with this school than any others. The program was as follows: Song, "Hail to the Public School," by the pupils. Prayer, Rev. Brooks. Welcome address by Emerson Brooks. Greetings, Misses Rebecca Ewing and Jean Matney. Dialogue, "Christmas Dinner," nine little girls. Duet, Miss Henrietta and Emerson Brooks. Declamation, Miss Jean Matney. Recitation, Miss Rebecca Ewing. Declamation, Francis Matney. Drill, by little boys and girls. Song, "Vacation Here," by the school. Declamation, Alfred M. Fisher. Dialogue, Fanny E. Fisher and Frankie Allison. Declamation, Teddy E. Balden. Declamation, John M. Garred. Recitation, Susie Hickmen. Declamation, Wallace Ewing. Song by school. Recitation, E. Wallace. Declamation, Virgie C. Justice, Recitation, Emily Garred. Declamation, Arthur Johns. Declamation, L. Swetman. Recitation, Beatrice Read. A quartet by Lucy V. Ewing, Beatrice Reed, Forney Williams and Cecil Reed. Declamation, James B. Ewing. Drill, large boys and girls. Operetta, "Christmas at Skeeter Corner.' A large crowd of both whites and blacks attended the exercises, which reflect much credit upon Mrs. Dale.

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Mrs. Stella Pickle, of Louisa, Ky., would like to know the whereabouts of her brother, Mr. John Burgess, who was last heard of in Indianapolis.

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Prof. Leroy Morgan, instructor in Bardtown, N. J., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Scott.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Van Dyke, of Shelbyville, are the guests of Mrs. Van Dyke's mother, Mrs. J. H. Scott.

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Mrs. Harriet Page entertained her son, Dr. John W. Williams, of Atlanta, Ga.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Davis, of Gertha, Ky., are the guests of Mrs. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gatewood, and Mrs. Augustus Boyd.

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Miss M. L. Warford and Mrs. Mary L. Webster were the guests of Mrs. Maggie Marshall in Louisville this week.

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Messrs. Henry Scott and Henderson spent Christmas in Cincinnati.

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Mrs. G. Smith, of Chicago, arrived in the city to be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer.

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Mrs. Nettie E. Harris gave a yuletide dinner in honor of Miss Gudgie, of Lawrenceburg. The rooms were nicely decorated. A four-course menu was served. The young people enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

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Misses Mattie and Ophelia Phenix, of Shelbyville, Ind., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilmore, and are being highly entertained.

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Misses Irvington, of Georgtown, who are very popular, are the guests of Mrs. G. Sanders.

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Miss Delma Greenup, a fascinating young lady, is spending the holidays with her parents, at Cincinnati.

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Mr. Claude Brown, of Louisville, is the guest of Miss Willie Silvey at her residence on Normal Heights. Miss Silvey is assistant principal of the Somerset public schooll, of which Prof. James Diggs is principal.

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Prof. Robert Jordan, assistant principal of Harrodsburg, spent the holidays in the city, the guest of Miss Marie P. Madison.

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Rev. Reed of Louisville, Prof. Burt Lark of Hodgersville, and Miss Blackburn of Cincinnati were called to the city by the illness of Mrs. Bettie Barnett, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Blackburn.

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Mr. William Redd died after a few days' illness.

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Mrs. Belle Shelton has been very ill but is able to be up again.

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Miss Elizabeth Borman left for Indianapolis after a few weeks' visit with her sister.

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Miss Estella Jorman, of Stanford, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brooks. She is being highly entertained.

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The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Commodore died this week.

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Dr. C. A. Tutt, teacher at Berlington, is a guest of the city.

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Messrs. Erald Hummings and Robert Spencer, of Indianapolis, Ind., were the guests of the city. They were highly entertained by the boys and girls, and were much interested over the success of the Royal Minstrel of Indiaanapolis, of which they are members.

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Mr. H. W. McClelland, 325 Clinton street, has opened a shoe repair shop. It adds another enterprise which we are glad to see in our city.

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Mrs. Martha Smith, of Town Hill, was the hostess of a delightful luncheon party. Covers were laid for Mrs. Mary E. Boyd and daughter, Miss C. A. Boyd, Mr. Albert B. Scott and Rev. Dodd and wife of Green Hill. Five courses were very appropriately served. All present enjoyed themselves.

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Attention is called to the business leagues of Kentucky and their progress. Are they helping to protect the Negro? If they are, it did not seem that way in Lexington. We have read of some very bad things that were thrust upon our people.

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Frankfort people are still talking about the Lexington Weekly News.

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Miss Victoria Hicks, directress of the Pinnsville public school, is the guest of her relatives. Miss Hicks is a graduate of the State Normal School. She is a Christian young lady, and we wish her all the success possible in her teaching.

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Mr O. W. Steele, manager of the mechanical department of the Lexington Weekly News, was a guest of the city and paid a call to Miss Lois Reid, a fascinating young ladies, a senior at the Normal School.

NEWS OF EVANSVILLE, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Rollie Bowman is in the city spending the holidays....Mr. William Coward is in the city....A very elaborate luncheon was served at the home ofMr. H. C. Smith on Xmas night in honor of Y. M. C. A. boys. Among those present were: Messrs. Henry Arnett, Quincy Bean, Neal Arnett, Anzo Catlett, Whitfield Morrow, Melvin Turner, Bernice Brown and Mr. Arnett of Smithland....A large number of children attended the Xmas tree at Liberty Baptist church, which was held on Friday afternoon on account of the weather....One of the grandest balls ever given was held last Friday night at Evans Hall by the Writers' Club. The tango was introduced by a young gentleman and lady from Chicago....Rev. Anderson and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Wilson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Roberts Xmas....The Castle Hall was open Xmas eve, Xmas afternoon and night....The Little Gem Theatorium will open January 1....Misses Lillia McElroy, Pearl Johnson and Luvenia Gary were home for Xmas vacation....The Y. M. C. A. boys were entertained at the home of Mr. Anzo Catlett last Monday night....Mr. Jesse Taylor is ill at his home in Olive street.

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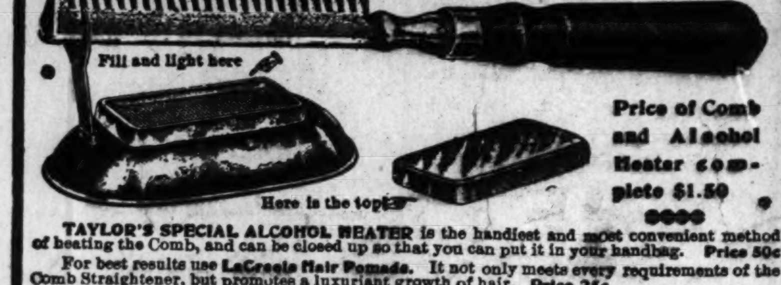

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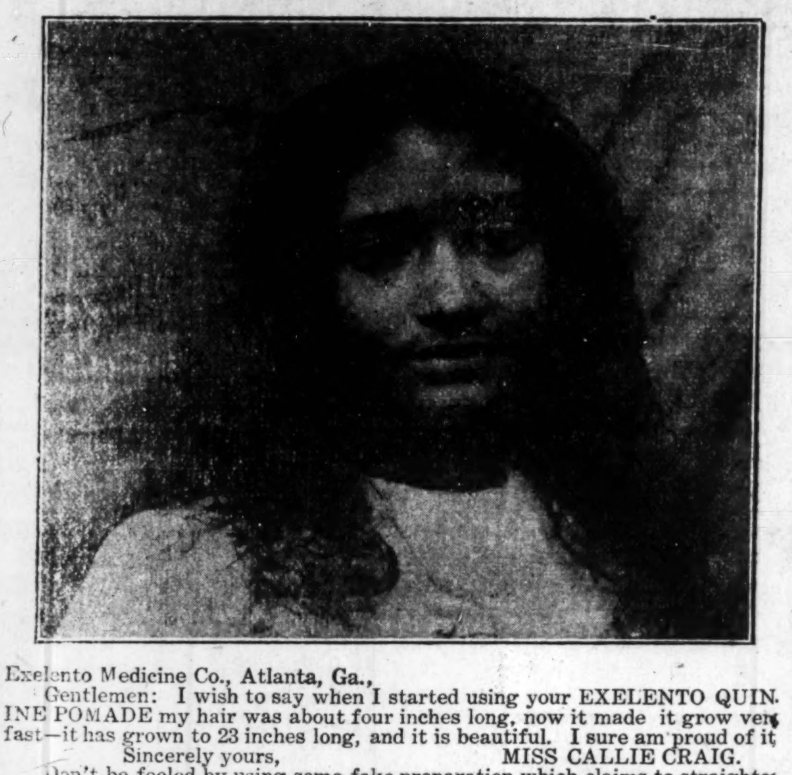

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And as for me I have no time to spare
For going 'round with a resentful air,
When everywhere I look I see some chance
To greet a fellow-man with loving glance
To help him on, and make the road I run
A brighter one,
And give the highways dark that lie ahead,
That I must tread,
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Our steering gear is unchanged, regardless of the knocks of discredited politicians, fired officeholders and past and prospective jailbirds.

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Rev. R. A. Morrissey, a former secretary of missions of the A. M. E. Znion church, has gone over to the Baptists, and has accepted a Baptist assignment at Plymouth, N. C.

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Thomas Kennedy, formerly editor of the Zanesville (Ohio) Advocate, has returned to his first love Zanesville is too good a town for a good man like Mr. Kennedy to stay away from.

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As a silencer, the Washington Bee is not in the class of the fellows who manufacture the stuff that puts Maxim guns out of business as noise makers. More "pep," Bre'r Chase; more "pep."

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Mme. Momtessori, the distinguished Italian educator, has won a warm place in the heart of the entire human family by prophesying that the properly trained baby of the future is to be cryless. There is light ahead for us all—if this fanciful dream can be realized.

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The rapid-fire discussions and quizzes at the National Negro Business League and the Tuskegee Negro Farmers' Conferences are among the best features of those gatherings, and Dr. Washington will continue them as long as the meetings themselves continue, which seems to be forever.

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Collector Charles W. Anderson and Recorder Henry Lincoln Johnson can afford to feel "real chesty," now that it comes to light that the salary of the President of Switzerland is only $4,000 per annum. Just as we have always said, the black man in America is not the "Man Farthest Down."

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Mrs. eJssie Harper has been engaged as a reporter of colored events on the Daily Telegram (white), of Youngstown, Ohio. This will solve the problem of a Negro daily in that section of the western hemisphere. Let others come along in the same way and their work will be felt in a thousand helpful ways.

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"Is the Negro Having a Fair Chance?" by Booker T. Washington, is still being read everywhere and is the subject of many interesting discussions in the literary societies of the country. The article originally appeared in the Century Magazine, November, 1912, and has been reprinted through several editions in pamphlet form.

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There is seldom anything in common between men of generous girth and those who are sting and malicious—like unto the "lean and hungry Casius." Cæsar was wise in his day and generation when he exclaimed, "Let me have about men men who are fat!" Here is one individual of class who has put a negative to the ancient fabrication that "nobody loves a fat man."

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"Man to do his work properly, must be properly fed," says Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the eminent authority on pure food and dietetics. "The girl of the future must know how to cook on scientific principles. Fewer pianos and more cook stoves are what we need in this country." This is another clincher to what we have frequently said as to the importance of domestic science, "the first of all sciences."

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The Hon. Ralph W. Tyler is whiling away some valuable time writing verbose and pointless sketches of "Some Men I Have Met" for a new York newspaper. The executive committee of the National Negro Business League would prefer to read a pithy account of Mr. Tyler of "Some Business Leagues I Have Organized," showing charter, list of officers and concrete achievements of the same. A hint to the wise ought to be sufficient.

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Mrs. Mary E. Washington, the official head of the Household of Ruth in Indiana, would make an admirable chieftain for this great order throughout the country. Mrs. Washington has long been an acknowledged leader in the fraternities of women in the nation. She is a splendid speaker and possesses executive ability of the highest order. If she should be elected next September at Boston, it would be a "feather in the cap" of the Hoosier delegation and a distinct gain to the cause for which the Ruthites stand.

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"If I Forget," DeKoven Thompson's classical song which Mme. Schumann-Heink brought into merited prominence by singing it at her own concerts, is being used largely as a feature in marriage ceremonies all over the country. It is a beautiful composition, stately in meter and lofty in sentiment. Well-known vaudeville artists are making big hits with it in the best theaters of the land, and the music is found in the parlors of society folk everywhere. The competent critics say "If I Forget" will rank for all time with Mendelssohn's Wedding March, Reginald DeKoven's "O, Promise Me" and "Traumerei"

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The local newspaper, however small, serves some useful purpose in a community, if it be honest, reliable and fair to all interests. It tells, as no other agency can tell, of the progress of the church, the school, the little stores and the social activities of the people in the vicinity in which it is published, dealing with them in a more intimate manner than auy outside paper would find any reason for doing. It stirs local civic pride and allows the world to know that their town is on the map. In connection with this local paper the individuals should also take a general race weekly and a local white daily, to keep in touch with all the news worth while.

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Of course, you have heard of Al Jones! He is the genial gentleman who presides over the destines of the famous Roadside hotel at Philadelphia, where the pencil pushers made their headquarters last August and who would not leave until the last tap of the bell for adjournment of the league sessions. Al Jones gave the boys a breakfast as was a breakfast, and they have been singing his praises on every conceivable occasion since that memorable morning last August, when they consumed those luscious chops and stirred those cocktails round and round. Covers were laid for forty, and effervescent James H. Anderson, of the Amsterdam News, was toastmaster. Everybody "came across" with a big speech, and Al Jones was made a life member of the National Negro Press Association. Visit the Roadside when you go to Philadelphia.

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"Back to the soil" is a slogan that carries weight. To make it as effective as it ought to be, however, its sponsors must continue to make country life more and more attractive to men and women; the business aspect of agriculture must be so arranged that larger financial returns accrue to the farmer direct, so that he will be able to offer wages for farm help that will offset the apparently high compensation received for labor in the cities. The subject is a big one and should engage the attention of sociologists and economists everywhere. Booker T. Washington was on the right track in making this "back to the farm" slogan the principal feature of his annual address at the Philadelphia meeting of the National Negro Business League. He is still hammering at it, making it fit into every conceivable occasion where the problem of living is open for discussion.

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William Anthony Aery, the genial and versatile representative at Hampton Institute, has our sincere thinks for a copy of the "Founders' Day Address" on "General Samuel Chapman Armstrong," by Henry Pitt Warren, L. H. D., headmaster of the Albany Academy, Albany, N. Y. The pamphlet offers a vivid reflex of the useful life, high purpose and solid achievements of the great educator and throws light on many points heretofore unrevealed to the reading public. Mr. Aery has been very kind to the members of the newspaper fraternity in supplying them with valuable literature bearing upon the Negro problem, and he is one of the few white men in this country who do not hesitate to mingle freely with colored men, on terms of equality, for fear of being mistaken for a Negro. Such broad-minded, Christian gentlemen as Mr. Aery are "the salt of the earth." He is one of the most active and helpful members of the National Negro Press Association.

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Mme. C. J. Walker, to whom the feminine world owes an enormous debt of gratitude for producing flowing locks where sprouts scarcely grew before, is spending the winter in the West Indies, Panama and South America. After a visit to Jamaica, she journeyed to Port au Prince, Haiti, where she met many noted people, all of whom accorded her exceptional social courtesies. She returned to Kingston, Jamaica, for the holiday season, and is now continuing her tour to the southward. Eight years ago Mme. Walker was a cook and laundress. Starting with a capital of just $1.50, she embarked in the hair business. Now this wonderful woman owns valuable property in several cities, is carrying on a business that brings in $3,000 per month, and is worth not less than a quarter of a million dollars. This is an object lesson of what an enterprising woman can do in the arena of business. Mme. Walker has discovered the secret of power and promotion. She is a real leader of her race.

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The lectures by Dr. Robert E. Park on "The Negro in America," delivered before the classes in sociology at the University of Chicago, have attracted more than usual interest at the hands of the closest students of the race problems in this country. Dr. Park is a native of New England and added a long course in special sociological investigations at the leading universities of Europe to his American education, seasoning it all with much travel and intimate observation of types in many countries. Dr. Park has been associated for a long time with the work of Tuskegee Institute, and within the past few months has made a tour of almost the entire South, visiting all of the Tuskegee Institute branch schools and other schools doing a similar work. It is noteworthy that these inspection trips are being made at the request of a northern philanthropist who is deeply inerested in Negro education. The lectures on the Negro at the Chicago University are admittedly attracting more attention at the hands of the university students than probably any series yet presented to them.

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The national organizer of a fraternity, a business league or an insurance company should be a man so thoroughly in touch with the masses and so sympathetic with the humble Negro who is struggling upward, that he can find the officers of a local branch, even if the latter are porters in stores, waiters in hotels or drivers of delivery wagons. Every civic work cannot be a doctor, lawyer, banker or teacher.

Mrs. Betsy Simms Merchant is a prosperous caterer in Cincinnati, Ohio, and numbers among her regular patrons such distinguished families as the Tafts, the Longworths, the Sintons, the Coxes, the Fleischmanns and the like. She has a finely equipped establishment on John street, convenient to the business section, is the owner of an electric runabout, in which she makes her business calls, and has a commodious motor truck for the hauling of her goods and appurtenances. She has one of the handsomest outfits of Haviland china, silver and linen known in the Queen City, and her service is of the highest class. Mrs. Merchant enjoys a large annual income, is popular, beautiful and single.

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The Tuskegee Annual Negro Farmers' Conference this year bids fair to be the most interesting of the long series. It will meet at Tuskegee Institute January 21 and 22, and the principal theme for discussion will be "Fifty Years of Negro Farm Life." Concrete evidences of the race's remarkable advancement in agriculture will be shown by parades, in which the ancient and modern methods of farm management will be contrasted. "The Conservation of Health" will be thoroughly analyzed by the Workers' Conference on the 22nd. These annual conferences bring many visitors from all sections of the South, and this year the attendance will be larger than ever before. Plain farmers and trained educators will touch elbows in perfect sympathy, each looking to be benefited by the brotherly contact. Dr. Washington will conduct his unique quizzes in person, and this is one of the real treats of the occasion.

Hugh E. Macbeth, formerly editor of the Baltimore Times, is to locate at Los Angeles, Cal., and devote his energies to the practice of law and the handling of real estate. He may also take a turn at the newspaper wheel in company with that stalwart journalist and versatile business factor, Noah D. Thompson, who conducts the Los Angeles Liberator in connection with a number of other big enterprises. Mr. Macbeth is a young man of rare energy and engaging personality, and should make good out on the coast, where they say "money grows on trees."

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It is a waste of precious time to bandy words with a bonehead editor who is unable to distinguish the difference between a fairly balanced news story and the advocacy of party politics.

The proof of a man's metal lies in the wearing quality that he evinces, without showing tarnish. By this standard Dr. Booker T. Washington well merits the premiership that has been his for the past two decades. Since his memorable Atlanta speech in 1895, Dr. Washington has been in the limelight by night and by day, and not once has he failed to live up to the high ideals he himself has set, nor has he disappointed the expectations of the friends who have given him their moral and material support.

Those who attended the Philadelphia meeting of the National Negro Business League last August had the pleasure of viewing at close range the wonderful scout scriser "Salem," which carried Emmet J. Scott and his fellow members of the famous Liberian Commission to Monrovia, to investigate conditions in the Liberian republic.

Emancipation celebrations must developed fewer scandals, or there will be a decided slump in the sentiment that has led to liberal legislative appropriations for the same. Public spirit must take the place of petty graft, if these expositions are to prove a real help to the Negro race.

A striking indication of the force of Dr. Booker T. Washington's urgency that the Negro go South is found in the fact that numerous colored men, reared in the North, having large association with the white people, and disdaining what they termed the "restrictions" of the South, are now turning their faces to the land of Dixie in search of the substantial opportunities for prosperity denied them at the North, on account of their color. One of these is Ralph W. Tyler, now national organizer of the National Negro Business League, who, until he lost his place on the federal payroll, had steadily refused to go down into the South for any purpose whatsoever. "Necessity knows no law," and others of the same proud stripe will be following Mr. Tyler's example ere long. The South may be shy on certain privileges, but it is bounteous in the things that make for "creature comforts." The wise young man is going now, while the going is good.

MONTGOMERY, W. VA.

Special to The Freeman.

The teachers of Falls and Kanawha districts have closed their schools for the holidays.... F. D. Railey, Lizzie Brown and Julia Wilkerson are spending the holidays at home....Miss Sedonia Rotan, RsssrMe. SHRD LSHRDL HRDLUNN teacher at Edmond, was in town Saturday....The students of the West Virginia Colored Institute are at home for the holidays....We are glad to welcome Miss Lola Lavender and Mr. Roscoe C. Clarkson home for a short vacation...Mr. J. B. Deans is spending his vacation at home....Mr. P. W. Wright was seriously hurt some time ago by being mashed by his wagon catching him between a coal house and the rear end of the wagon box. We are glad to report that he is improving rapidly....Mr. L. Sanders, who was severely injured by a lump of coal striking him on the back of the head at the Cannelton mines, is improving very slowly.....The emancipation celebration committee is making elaborate preparations for the great event....The Citizens' ticket desires to nominate some colored man, as they as much interested in reform as the good white citizens....Dr. Lawrendce, our up-to-date druggist, has a fine store and did a good holiday business this year....Prof. Railey has a fine line of groceries and country produce and enjoys a large trade....Mr. Charles Henderson has about completed his fine new residence and will soon move into it. His home is located on College avenue. It was erected by Mr. Lee, our proficient contractor.

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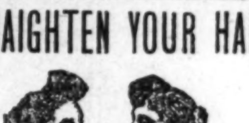
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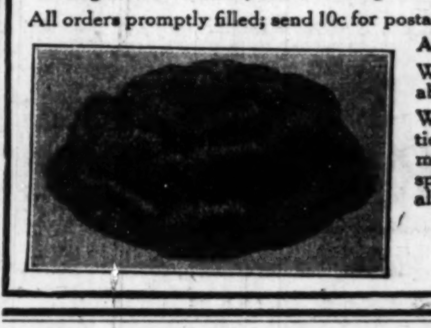

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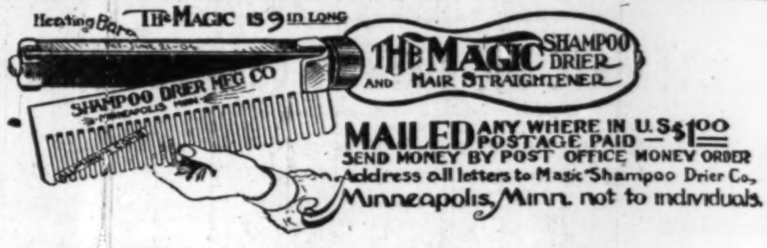
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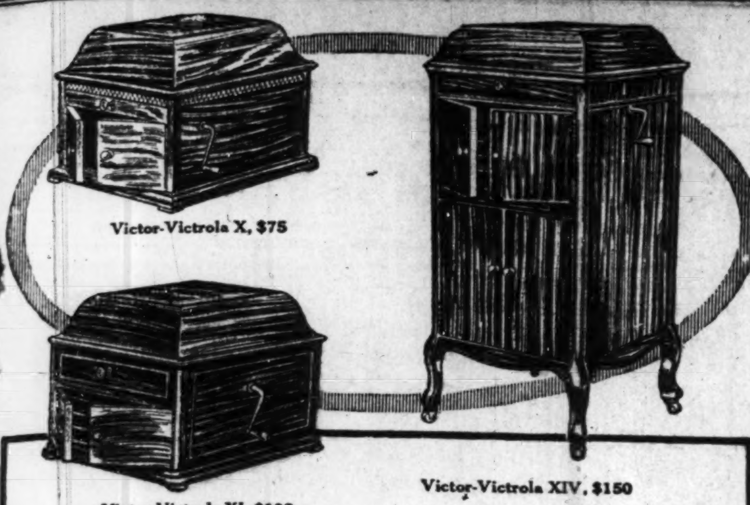

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That for son of him who on Erie Perry's sails did reef;
Manned the guns of St. Lawrence ere she foundered in the deep;
Of him who fell with Shaw, and up the side of San Juan, steep,
Fought hand to hand the Spaniard for the flag we call our own,
Has no wrongs for which the white man in justice should atone.

Oh would spirit of Nat Turner from the grave now appear
Down in cotton fields, rice swamps, or in city near,
To inspire the sons of blacks who fought with stubborn will
On Boston Commons—down through the years to San Juan hill,
With freeman's bold defy to such who would our rights deny;
With a freeman's courage bold when he danger doth espy;
Inspire them to no longer stand in fear with bated breath;
Inspire "Our backs are to the wall, we fear not even death."

Since sixty-three have we chased the elusive dove of peace,
And meekly have we strove our rights from foe to release,
Turning each time the left when the right was basely smote,
And daily saying o'er and o'er those words in Scripture wrote
"Father, have mercy on them for they know not what they do."
Aye, and daily have our hearts poured out in prayer to You,
Pleading that the cup no longer to our lips be passed;
Pleadingw that justice come with peace to permanently last.

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALA.

During the Year Many Business Men and Women Have Been Invited to Adcress the Student Body.

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala., Dec. 22.—Tuskegee Institute, during the present year, has been inviting successful colored business men and women to deliver talks to the student body, telling in detail something of their efforts in establishing themselves in business and as to how they have succeeded.

The third of this series of talks was given December 18-20, by Mr. W. A. Wallace, a successful baker, located on State street, Chicago, Ill. Mr. Wallace has struggled against many hard conditions but has placed his business upon a very firm foundation.

During his visit to Tuskegee, Mr. Wallace spoke to the teachers and students employed in the institute boarding department; to the seniors and A-middle students in the assembly room, Academic building; to the young women of Dorothy hall, where the girls' industries are located; and enjoyed the rare privilege of being permitted to met with the Tuskegee's Woman's Club, where he also spoke. He was also present at the meeting of the Twentieth Century Club, Saturday evening, December 20, and took part in the discussion of a paper by Mr. D. C. Smith, auditor of the institute, entitled "The Origin or Foundation of the Idea that Industrial Education is an Inferior Sort of Education."

Mr. Wallace spoke in part as follows:

"The baking business in this country has become a great industry, and the ingredients that go to make up the material that compose the composition of the doughs for the production of bread, pies, cakes, etc., is being given the attention of experts in scientific and chemical analysis, as to the effects of various wheats and mixtures of flour; of the nature of climatic effects upon the grains and ultimately on the breads. Schools of this kind are operated by large milling concerns through which they obtain practical results of the product of their mills and thus are in position to say to the public 'we know our flour will do what we lcaim.'

"Millions of dollars are invested by large concerns in the procuring of the best and most sanitary means of producing the best baking in the cheapest manner. For instance, we have in our parts the great Ward-Corby million-dollar concern with bakeries in many large cities; the Heissely-Junge Co. Schultz and Co. and H. H. Kohlsaat Co., all having thousand sinvested in this business and all doing a business, giving employment to hundreds of men and women, and creating through this means an opportunity for livelihood for those who must work for others in order to live. Most of these large companies are corporations, representing the moneys of several individuals combined and operated by their selected heads.

"There are some concerns that make a specialty of one thing. For instance, the Moody & Waters Pie Co., Case & Martin Pie Co., and another, making nothing but doughnuts, demonstrating that the industry has its many branches, all of which will yield fruit if properly handled. Out of this condition there has come to us the lesson that out of co-operation and concentration, there is a greater prospect of a realization of beneficial returns, than in individual efforts on small means. This has been thoroughly demonstrated in all branches of enterprise by those who have been the big wheels in making this country roll on to prosperity and development.

"Chicago is a great city, in many ways. In its rapid growth, in its commercial enterprises, in its great size, its numerous inhabitants, its mixed population, its high buildings, its variety of enterprises, and its three great divisions, practically three cities in one, North, South and West side. On the West Side are principally Irish and foreigners, the rich and American on the North and the Jew and the Negro on the South. With the latter I have had to deal. It is estimated that there are sixty thousand Negroes. Among these there are about eight hundred in some kind of business or profession. Most of them managing to get some kind of living out of these efforts. A very few are doing a regular systematic wholesale business. Among the few who are doing a regular systematic wholesale store to store trade is the W. A. Wallace Bakery Co., incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois. It has had six years of existence as a company and six years as an individual enterprise. On June 28, 1902, we opened our doors to do business on a borrowed capital of $50. When I say we, I mean myself and my wife, who has ever been a great help to me in all my efforts. I would here insert, do not lightly appreciate the services of a good woman. Not knowing exactly what kind of a business we were going to run, we placed few goods on our shelves, opened our doors and waited for business. It did not come very rapidly until we began to go after it. Boarders were taken in, luncheons served, a soda fountain put in and together with our groceries we pushed off. After a while Mrs. Wallace began baking a few loaves of bread and a few rolls. They being very well liked, the trade gradually grew. At that time I was working in the postal service at night and lending such of my time as I could at the store in the day. Our business grew from our kitchen gas stove to a twenty-loaf gas oven and then to an eighty-loaf portable coal oven. I then resigned from my government position, bought a horse and wagon and took full charge of the bakery business, which we had now developed into a wholesale and retail business. Stores to the number of seventy-five were secured as customers by my solicitations and insistence, sixty-five of which were run by white people doing business in the black district. Our deliveries were made every day except Sunday and Christmas. It mattered not whether the thermometer was 100 degrees above zero or 20 degrees below, rain or shine, our wagon has gone forth.

"In order to expand our business and provide ourselves with larger facilities for service, and thereby be of some benefit to others, I concluded to form a corporation, so on the 25th day of August, 1908, we incorporated. The following year, the great money panic was over the country and at the end of about twelve months we found ourselves nearly $1,000 in debt and still doing business. A heavy problem was on our hands; a heavy weight on our hearts. I called directors' meeting after directors' meeting, but no relief was in sight. Finally, I concluded this thing must not fail on my hands. Out of this hole we must come. I borrowed $100, moved the business to another location, and in one year turned the tide, cleared up the indebtedness, paid back the loan and declared a ten per cent dividend on the capital invested. In our fight for existence, we have had to contend with unions, with cut rates by the big firms, with knocks because we were Negroes, with distrust from our own people and jealousy from others, but by the help of God whom we serve, we have gone forward.

"Two years ago we recapitalized for a larger amount, to meet the greater needs and demands of the larger business.

"This part of my talk I shall consider merely a nintroduction, that you may know that he who dares is he who does. I am a graduate of a college in Pennsylvania known as Lincoln University, but never have I permitted that fact to interfere with my doing what I found necessary to further my business interests. Isay this in order to impress the following, namely: Education of whatever nature is only of use as you may use it, thinking no honest work too menial to do in order to accomplish a higher purpose. This is the process through which great and strong men are developed. Once Garfield trotted the tow-path, once Lincoln split rails, once Douglass rolled casks, but these things are no longer remembered, except to their credit.

"Cake baking in bake shops is quite different from cake baking at home. We have always found it difficult to obtain cake and pie bakers among our people in Chicago, who understand what is known as profit baking. There are several reasons for that in our city. One is we do not produce them, and another, those that come our way soon find other fields of employment, because they cannot get employment at their trade, and colored bakeries where they employ outside help are very scarce. A knowledge of baking pies and cakes at a low cost and yet make them fit to eat, is in itself a good asset to anyone who has in him the getup necessary to do with. If I were to tell you or the greater part of your mothers that good cakes can be made out of lard or compound, you would probably look at me with an air of disbelief. Nevertheless it is so, and some bakeries do it.

"A good pie baker is a prize worth having and appear to be scarce in our parts. All we have had we have had to show how to make them both good and cheap; for private family baking will not do in the bake shop, among ordinary people, people who want more quantity than quality. I see in the baking business large opportunities, for in most colored communities the baking is all furnished by white bakeries. Because of the lack of opportunity to work in these shops, or to do business among them, this ought not to be. We should be able to furnish ourselves with any article we use.

"In conclusion I will say my years of experience have convinced me that there is great opportunity for the Negro in the bakery business. There is no reason why there should not be established throughout the country hundreds of bakeries managed by Negroes in which millions of dollars of our capital could be invested and where thousands of our people would receive employment.

DOINGS IN THE "QUEEN CITY."

CINCINNATI, O.—Brigadier General Joseph L. Jones, of the Knights of Pythias, is at home again after a jaunt through the East and South. He reports that the protest of the order against the retention of West in the employ of the B. &O. Railroad Company is being given earnest consideration by the officials of the company, and that in all probability Councilman West will not hereafter be so prominent in the effort to segregate the colored citizens of Baltimore. He is jubilant over the victory of the Knights of Pythias in the Tennessee case, wherein it has been decided that colored Pythians have as much right to the name as anybody else. At Washington he conferred with R. W. Thompson on National Press Association matters.

The Central Regalia Company is getting out the badges for the National Negro Press Association, and it is stated that they will be ready for distribution by the beginning of the new year. By the use of this insignia the members of the Press Association will have their enlarged privileges recognized in newspaper and civic circles all over the land.

Miss Myrtle M. Tolliver, business manager of the Pythian Monitor, is recuperating from a severe attack of nervous prosertation, due to overwork on her recent tour of the South.

Joseph L. Jones, Jr., attended the Masonic Grand Lodge meeting a few days ago at Columbia, S. C.

The new Lincoln theater is quite an addition to the amusement facilities of the Queen City.

Mrs. Nettie B. Phillips, Mrs. Daisy Merchant, Mrs. J. L. Jones, Mrs. N. C. Vaughan, Miss Georgine B. Kelley and Mrs. W. P. Dabney entertained many out-of-town guests during the holidays. Cincinnati, "downtown" and "on the Hill," was a live wire.

AURORA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Brayton Tule, the great missionary, who worked in South Africa, spoke at the Third Baptist church Sunday afternoon. She gave a beautiful birdseye view of Africa and its inhabitants. She went there in 1896 and remained until 1911, laboring from Cape Town to the Zambezi river, a distance of 2,000 miles. She did great work there, and is expecting to build a school, in which to educate the natives....Mr. Denny is still very ill....Misses Nettie and Virginia Cantrel spent Christmas in Joliet, Ill., with relatives....Miss Marguerite Hall has been indisposed for the past week....Mr. J. H. Durrette is improving rapidly....Mrs. Nancy M. Scott and family are back in Aurora and will be found at 500 River street....Mrs. Agnes Durrette was in DaKalb, Ill., on business Friday....Rev. Butler, of the A. M. E. church, gave his son Walter a surprise birthday party. There were several in attendance who report a good time....Mrs. Ella Baker left Sunday for her home in Summerville, Ky., to see her cousin who is reported very ill.

NEWS OF CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

(By Wm. L. Brooks.)

Special to the Freeman.

The Sunday services at the various churches were excellent, sermons being delivered with eloquence and the choirs doing their utmost to make the music acceptable, the efforts more than pleasing the large audiences. The various Sunday schools are progressing nicely and much interest is being manifested....New Years day will be the occasion of our emancipation celebration, and a program and line of march of business enterprises will be featured......The Second Baptist church has recently called to its pastorate Rev. K. Wilson, of Nashville, Tenn. We trust the congregation will meet with success and aid the new pastor in every way possible....Mr. Giles Jackson has made an extensive improvement to his business by the erection of a two-story brick building. This shows that our people can succeed. ....Many of our citizens are out of employment here, and this fact makes business dull for the time being....St. James Baptist church Sunday school raised $44.46 Sunday, December 21, the largest amount of any Sunday school in the state of Tennessee on that day....The printing establishment has been removed from its old stand to a more accommodating place for business....Mr. J. B. Lindsey, the merchant, has made good in his business here and has rightly indicated that the colored man has the capacity of doing business in different lines. His faithful and energetic wife has been a great help to him by her economical management. This is a good example of what the ladies can do in the world of business....The Rossville Avenue Pressing Club, Mr. C. C. Conrad, proprietor, has made quite a reputation as an up-to-date business enterprise. The manager and owner is a man of good reputation and is doing all he can to increase his business. He is worthy of your support. His work is entirely satisfactory. ....Mrs. Josephine Smith, one of the first class dressmakers, has all the latest fashions and stands today in the front ranks of her line of work. She makes a specialty of bridal gowns. As a designer of choice fitting she has been given great praise for the beauty of the garments she makes.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

(By John W. Williams.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The holiday season was observed with many social functions in this city....The city schools have been closed for several days on account of the holidays, but will reopen about the first of January....In speaking of Muskogee's most prominent men, we wish to call attention to Major Willie Brown, who is now acting in the capacity of shipping clerk for Lafferty & Walker, said to be one of the largest stores of its kind in eastern Oklahoma. It will be borne in mind that this young man was one of the forаunate ones who learned the dry goods business, and today he draws a neat salary in return for his services....Rev. A. C. Poker, who has been in search for a wife, wishes to state that he is still a candidate for matrimony. He can be reached at 604 South Third street, Muskogee, Okla......Miss Willie Young, 920 Denver avenue, this city, is an ardent reader of the Freeman and is much impressed with the paper as the leading publication of the race......The coming of Mr. R. W. Thompson to the convention of the National Negro Business Men's League in this city in August, will be the golden opportunity of our citizens to see and hear the father of colored journalism. He is without doubt one of the most able writers (either white or colored) in the journalistic field today. Mr. Thompson is a gentleman of the first class, a broad-minded man in his views and a polished speaker and writer. The National Negro Press Association will also meet at the same time in this city, in Convention Hall, which has a seating capacity of 5,000 persons. A number of our prominent race leaders will be present at these meetings....Miss Ella Bridges, the check marker for the Excelsior Laundry Company, whose picture has appeared in various colored papers, wishes to deny the report that she is soon to wed. She thinks the report was started by some of her so-called enemies, who are jealous of her standing in society. She asserts she is still an active candidate for matrimony, and can be reached at 303 South Main street, Muskogee, Okla....Major Charles Hudspeth, proprietor of the Turkish Bath House, deserves much credit for his remarkable success. He is a native of Waxahachie, Texas, and came to Oklahoma about five years ago. Since that time he has rapidly won the confidence of the people, and has done much to build up our growing city. He has a nice business and is reaping the reward of his efforts.

W. T. VERNON EXPECTED IN HELENA, MONTANA

We are expecting Mr. W. T. Vernon here about March, 1914, to lecture.....Mrs. Hettie P. Stevens left December 15 to see about her representation work on her claims at Radesburg. Mr. C. C. McClain accompanied her....The A. M. E. church Sunday school gave an entertainment Christmas. The church is undoubtedly blessed in having such a pastor as Rev. I. S. Wilson. The program was conducted by Mrs. Wilson......The Second Baptist church celebrated Christmas with a tree at the home of Mrs. H. P. Stevens for the Junior Sunday School class, and Rev. Riley R. Powers, pastor, entertained the Senior Sunday School class at his residence, 300 State street... The weather is fine, ranging around zero. ....See J. H. Hilbrand, 1256 for a copy of the Freeman.

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Winnipeg, Man., Can.,
November 22, 1913.

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Trusting that you are enjoying the best of health, I am,

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and the world smiles with you, "knock" and you go alone, for the cheerful grin will let you in where the kicker is never known. Growl, and the way looks dreary, laugh and the path is bright, for a wholesome smile brings sunshine, while a frown shuts out the light. Sing and the world is harmonious, grumble and things go wrong, and all the time you are out of rhyme with the busy, hustling throng. Kick and there's trouble brewing, whistle and life is gay, and the world's in tune, like a day in June, and the clouds all melt away.

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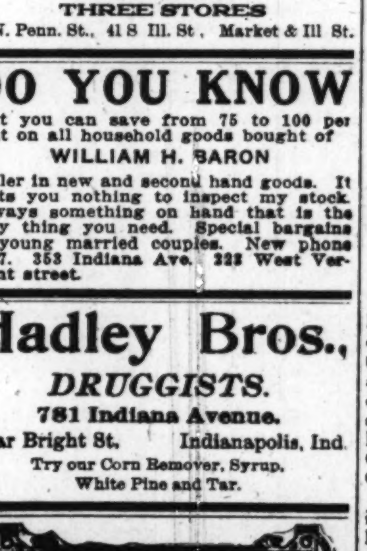

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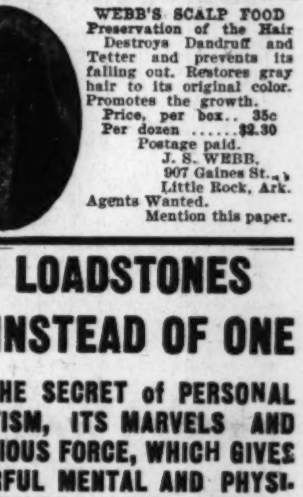

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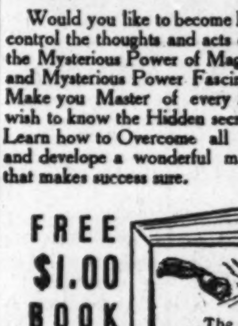

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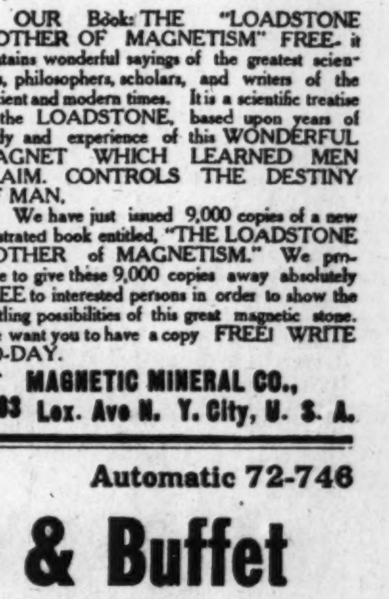

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The Advocate of Portland, Ore., got out a splendid Christmas number. It went West and grew up with the country. The issue is illustrative of the best of that community. It is a credit to the management and to the race.

R. W. Thompson, The Freeman correspondent, is still doing business at the old stand. He has not been squelched, as a contemporary felt to say—either fro mthe inside or out—neither spiritually or by "physical" threats.

The report that the will of the late Robert R. Church has been broken has been denied. The Memphis Sun is very much wrought up about the matter. It had this recently to say: "We weigh our word; the will left by Mr. Church has not been broken by any act of the courts of Tennessee, nor has his will been in question before any court in Tennessee or in any commonwealth. News to the contrary is false and misleading, and at ugly variance with the facts. If we are permitted to advance an opinion we will say that in all likelihood that document, now the tattler's toy and the gossip's morsel, will not suffer change by order, finding or decisions of the courts of law of Tennessee, now nor ever."

Not much is heard in these days of the segregation business at Washington, D. C. It is being said that the administration has given in to the demands of the Negroes who made a most vigorous fight on segregation by the government. We understand that the old order is practically restored, that but very little remains to remind one of discrimination at the hands of the government. We have conceded much owing to the influence of prejudice, but to see it exhibited by the government, and especially when uncalled for, is a thing of the almost past conception. We are glad to know that we enter the new year with changed relations in this particular. There can be no hope if the government also "piles on."

England seems to think that the fortifying of the Panama Canal route is too much of a sign of proprietorship. This international business is a bit queer. Our country has conceded that there be equality of toll rates, a concession in the spirit of fairness to the shipping interests of other countries, notwithstanding our virtual right to do as we saw fit because it was our money that built the canal. Our country, however, refused this narrow view; reconsidered the act of exemption of American vessels. Fortification of the canal appears an advantage of course, and as it should be. War, in our opinion, is not anticipated, but we do not need any vulnerable points, just as other countries do not need them.

Following are some lynching statistics noted in a report from Chicago:

In the forty-four lynchings the victims of all but one were Negroes, and all but two of the cases occurred in Southern States. No woman was included among the year's victims.

North Dakota and Montana were the two Northern States in which lynchings occurred. At Ray, N. D., Cleve Culbertson, a white man, accused of the murder of three persons, was taken from jail by a mob and hanged. The only other case in a Northern State occurred at Mondak, Mont., in April, when J. C. Collins, a Negro, who shot and killed the sheriff and deputy sheriff of the county, was hanged by a mob.

The States in which the lynchings occurred during the year and the number in each were as follows: Alabama, 2; Arkansas, 1; Florida, 4; Georgia, 8; Kentucky, 1; Louisiana, 4; Mississippi, 8; Montana, 1; North Carolina, 1; North Dakota, 1; South Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 2, and Texas, 6.

There was at least one lynching for every month in the year, August, the hottest month, leading with 8. Following are the lynchings by months: January, 3; February, 5; March, 3; April, 1; May, 2; June, 4; July, 4; August, 8; September, 4; October, 1; November, 4, and December, 5.

Double lynchings were at Blanchard, La.; Cornelia, Ga., and Pauls Valley, Okla. At Houston, Miss., two Negroes were lynched a day apart, both being accused of complicity in the same crime. At Drew, Miss., a Negro was lynched by members of his own race after he had shot and killed two Negro women and two Negro men.

Murders Chief Cause.

As in previous years, murders of white persons and crimes or alleged crimes against white women caused most of the summary executions. The murders were in the big majority, however, and the number of cases in which attacks on women were charged showed a gratifying decrease over the figures of previous years.

Nineteen of the victims of the 44 lynchings were accused of the murder of white men. Four were charged with murdering white girls or women. Attempted criminal assault is on record as responsible for nine of the lynchings. Two Negroes were lynched for frightening white women, one for insulting a white woman and another for being found concealed under the bed in a woman's room. Two Negroes were lynched for shooting or assaulting white men, one for robbery and shooting, one for assisting a Negro murderer to escape and another for horse stealing. In one case the crime charged against the victim was not stated.

SAMUEL M. LEWIS DEAD.

Samuel Mallory Lewis of St. Paul, Minn., after a lingering illness of about three years, died at his home in that city Sunday, December 28. Formerly he lived in Indianapolis. This was about twenty years ago. He has resided in St. Paul the better part of these absent years, being employed in the Pullman sleeping car service.

Mr. Lewis was one of a group of brothers who were well known in Indianapolis to the older citizens. He was educated in the public schools of this city. The surviving brothers are William M. Lewis, editor of The Freeman; John Lewis, a newspaper man of St. Louis, Mo., and Lawrence Lewis, also of St. Louis.

His mother and father were Betty and Cyrus Lewis, well known as among the old residents of Indianapolis.

His immediate family was his wife, Glenora, a daughter and son, Bertha and Leslie, who survive him.

He's simply answered the common summons.

His test is done,
Ours is yet to come.
Happier he—his is past.
We sorrow on to the dreaded last.

COLORED COUNCILMAN RESIGNS SEAT.

R. H. Colerane, the colored man recently elected to the City Council of Winchester, Ky., has resigned as a member of that body because the white members refused to sit with him. According to report they failed to show up on the day they were to be sworn in; this to embarrass the colored brother. Colerane went before a notary public, who administered him the oath of office. He was asked to resign by the white members. He did so. At first blush this seems a high-handed piece of injustice, and it is. We do not have many cases so flagrant as that. Perhaps there has never been a case of the kind before, at least in recent years. In the language of the street, "It is out there." However, it is only one of the things that make for our great race problem.

RESOLVE A BIT.

New Year's resolutions are in order, as they have been for lo! these many years. Doubtless they have been made by this time and kept until this time. Of course, most of us will keep them for a longer period—some of them. Nothing is lost in resolving, even if we fail in sticking as closely to our program as we could. The influence that goes out from a change will go on and on—building better than we know. There are always spectators to our actions. The world is made up that way. We may say that we are not influenced in our activities, that we are independent, and all that, yet in the most part our activities are the incorporated activities of others, many others. Everything heard or seen leaves an impress which swerves us this way or that way just so much. So the good resolves of a few days are infectious. They pass on to our neighbors, who pass them on through their changed attitudes. Resolve a bit.

GOVERNOR RALSTON'S RESOLUTION.

Governor Ralston of Indianna is becoming noted for his great community interest and civic pride. And he is happy in his expressions along those lines. As to his resolution for 1914 he gave out the following:

"It is my resolution for 1914 to stand officially for better sanitary conditions; for a cleaner citizenship; for a stronger bond of fellowship between men; for the preservation of the rights of organized society at any cost; for a greater efficiency in the public service, and for a higher conception of the possibilities of American citizenship. These things are essential to the happiness of the people. And the great function of government is to promote the happiness of the people."

REV. DR. E. C. MORRIS HONORED.

Rev. Dr. E. C. Morris, president of the National Baptist Convention, has been named as one of the American committee announced for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent between Great Britain and the United tates. This is a signal honor, and worthily bestowed. Dr. Morris is a distinguished representative of his race and a great churchman. His worth and usefulness has exceeded denominational limitations. He has the respect and confidence of his race generally. Among this committee of which Dr. Morris is a member are:

Oscar S. Strauss, member of the Roosevelt Cabinet, former American ambassador to Turkey and Progressive nominee for Governor of New York in 1912; Charles Page Bryan, former American ambassador to Japan and minister to Portugal; Dr. Henry S. Drinker, president of Lehigh University; Henry C. Morris of Chicago, former United States consul to Ghent; former Governor Frank S. Streeter of New Hampshire; Thomas F. Bayard, one of the few living descendants of a signer of the Treaty of Ghent; General J. Warren Keifer of Springfield, Ohio, former Speaker of the House of Representatives; Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of Review of Reviews.

THE ROLL OF THE LYNCHED FOR 1913.

The roll of the lynched for the past year, according to what may be considered good authority, was forty-four. We say "good authority" advisedly, having in mind other reports which were materially different, yet seemingly of good authority. The number of the lynched—44—is given as beyond doubt. This means that the reports that are at variance are not without some foundation. A change for the better has been going on for the last eight or ten years, until this present year, when the record is the lowest. In other years there have been recorded upwards of 300 persons whose lives were taken without the sanction of the law.

The Negro race can well afford to feel pleased at this year's record in face of all that has happened in the fifty years after the war.

There is more than one reason why we should rejoice to see this "civil ban" uplift. In the first place from 95 to 99 per cent. of those lynched were Negroes. In fact, in some of the years, not a single white man was unlawfully dealt with. This was a terrible reflection on the race. No Negro was so callous, so indifferent or so ignorant as not to feel the sting of disgrace, knowing that he was of a kind beyond the law's protection—the very outcast of society. No Negro was so great as to escape the terrible race arraignment—"weighed in the balances and found wanting"—was that indictment, even if it did come through malignment and false accusation. History may record the facts of injustice, but that does not relieve a situation. The admission of man's inhumanity does not change it a jot or tittle. We mean to say that in many cases to establish the fact of injustice practiced rightens the wronged, brings about the thing hoped for, contempt and punishment going one way and justice and restoration going the other way. But it has not been so as it seems in the lynching business. There has been but little shame manifested over the lynching practice by those engaged in it—very little repentance. The unrighteous practice was known—it did not help our standing. The unrighteous practice was known, it did not do very much toward deterring those engaged in it. There was no such thing as retributive justice—our loss was absolute.

Then again the race suffered because the alleged cause for lynching was that most infamous thing—raping. The charge was not sustained. Only a very small per cent. of the accused were charged with that crime, not to speak of the possibility of error. Thus subjected to lynching, accused of raping, the Negro nation was stunned, retarded of its civil growth. We wore the John Bunyan burden, but it's responsibility was elsewhere. However, the race is happy enough to see it diminishing by any means whatsoever.

We will not overlook the press of this country, the white press, and which stands for the best America, in its efforts to silence the mob. It was not as effective as it could have been, yet had it not been for its efforts the "heathen" would have still been raging. We will not forget the attitude of state and municipal officials, who showed the mob their angry frowns. The pulpit and public-spirited men are to be considered. Before this combination the mob spirit lost its firm hold. This combined opposition was of the more recent years, and which together with the Negroes' efforts, have done the work.

The Negroes' education, their law-abiding spirit, their high conception of citizenship, their increasing moral sentiment, their fearlessly exerted manhood, their ceaseless demand for right, has helped in causing the mob to stand confused and abashed. It was never a necessity. That has been thoroughly proven.

NEWS OF FULTON, KY.

(By J. L. Worthington, 306 Holder St.)

Special to the Freeman.

The concert given by the South Fulton graded school last week was a success. ...Mr. Dowell Lewis, of Champaign, Ill., spent the holidays in Fulton with relatives and friends....Mrs. Sarah Williams is on the sick list this week....Miss Annie B. Wright spent the holidays in St. Louis....Mrs. Emma Carter, who has been suffering with pleurisy, is reported better at this writing....Mrs. Ella M. Barnes and sister, Mrs. Fannie Boyd, left Thursday for Nashville, Tenn., to spend the holidays with their relatives....Mrs. Ada Woolridge is on the sick list this week....The joint entertainment given by the members of the A. M. E. and C. M. E. churches at the K. of P. hall Christmas day and night was a decided success.... Mr. Henry Smith spent a few days last week in Memphis, Tenn., visiting his daughter, Miss Clara. He reports a very pleasant trip......Mr. Sam McGall, who has been engaged in the Pullman service, is now at home visiting his family.... Mr. Leverett Carter continues ill with no signs of improving....Mrs. Gertrude M. Bowden spent the holidays in Milam, Tenn....Mr. John Tiltsworth, of Princeton, Ky., is spending the holidays with his relatives. He is a young minister and will preach at the C. M. E. church Sunday....Mrs. Lula Alexander, wife of Mr. J. C. Alexander, is on the sick list.... Mrs. Alice Smith spent a few days in Mayfield, Ky., last week....Mr. Lester McMurrell continues ill from rheumatism. ...Mr. A. P. Rogers has accepted a position as porter with the I. C. Railway Company, between Cairo, Ill., and Paducah, Ky....Mr. Leroy Barnes spent Sunday in Cairo, Ill., visiting his mother. ....Dr. Bryant Brown, of Union City, Tenn., was in our city a short while last Sunday morning. He was en route to Paducah, Ky....Mr. Malcom Kelly and Howard Drane passed through the city Sunday, en route to their home in Mayfield, Ky....Mrs. Bessie Cole, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting her relatives in Fulton this week....Mrs. Belle Ridley, of Louisville, Ky., is the guest of her daughters, Mrs. Ada House and Mrs. H. T. Jones, this week...The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nick House is reported somewhat better at this writing. ....Mrs. H. T. Jones is on the sick list. ....Mrs. Douglas, of Woodland Mills, Tenn., spent the holidays with Mrs. Eula Crowder....Mr. Nick House is somewhat improved from his recent injury....Mrs. Belle Barnes spent a few days in Paducah during the holidays....Mrs. Dan Higgs spent the holidays in Champaign, Ill....Mr. and Mrs. George Woodson are on the sick list this week....Mrs. Callie Harvey spent the holidays in Jackson, Tenn....Mrs. Mary Mathis is slightly ill at this writing....Mr. S. G. White, of the Seminole dining crew, was on his relief and spent the holidays pleasantly at his home....Mrs. Buelah Rush visited in Paducah, Ky., during the holidays....Miss Gertrude Gardiner was the guest of Miss Tina Mott during the holidays....Mrs. Mamie Heggs and little daughter Emma spent the holidays in Martin, Tenn., the guests of friends and relatives....Mrs. Mary and Misses Gracie, Matilda and Malissa Atkins spent the holidays pleasantly at Cottage Grove, Tenn., visiting friends and relatives....Miss Tina Mott made a trip to Martin, Tenn., Tuesday and returned Wednesday....Miss Sadie Thornton, of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mott, during the holidays.

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MADISONVILLE, KY.

(By Floyd I. Grace, 135 Spring Street.)

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The Freeman on sale at the Wooldridge Hotel, 5c....The following young people are at home from school spending the holidays: Mr. Clifford Morton, who is attending Fisk University, Nashville; Misses Sadie Cabell, accompanied by Misses Carrie Cunningham of Lexington, Ky.; Lenora Martin and Virginia Whitesides, from State University, Louisville; Misses Annie Mae Douglass and Roxie Lewis, from Bowling Green Academy. They will all return to their respective schools by the new year. Many social events are being given for their entertainment....Mesdames Clemma Grace and Minnie Tate left Wednesday to spend the holidays with friends and relatives in Louisville, Ky....Mr. James Bryson and daughter, Ozell, are in the city visiting friends. They are now making their home at Robards, Ky....Lucile, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Davis, died Thursday after a brief illness. Interment at the Odd Fellows' cemetery Friday afternoon ....Xmas entertainments at the churches were not largely attended on account of the inclement weather....Miss Cenis Hutchison is at home during the holidays from Louisville, Ky....Mrs. Elsie Bryson left Wednesday for St. Louis, Mo....Mrs. Ollie Newton of Evansville, Ind., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ezell, on Spring street. Mrs. Essie Mack of Louisville and Miss Sarah Watson of Chicago spent the holidays in the city, the guests of Miss Daisy Cabell....Mr. William Tayes of Louisville spent Xmas week in the city with his parents....Rev. P. H. Kennedy of Henderson passed through the city Sunday on his return home from Earlington. Mrs. Ida Mae Porter entertained a number of her friends Monday evening at her beautiful home on Spring street....Mrs. Nora Press was in Earlington Sunday and Monday, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Evans....Miss Ruth Hines of Earlington was in the city last week....Miss Pauline Garrett of Earlington was in the city Xmas week visiting Miss Carrie Woodson. Miss Garrett is a member of class of '14 at State Normal, Frankfort, Ky. She is at home for the holidays....Mrs. Maggie Gipson, who has been on the sick list for the past two weeks, is reported better....Mr. Clarence Collier left Saturday to spend a week in Tennessee with his parents....Mrs. Sallie Bell of Evansville is visiting her mother, Mrs. Amanda Kimbrew....The Crescent Circle was entertained by Mrs. Henrietta Couch on Spring street at their last meeting. Mrs. Couch proved quite a hostess, so the ladies say....A thought for the day: What would become of Negro enterprise if everybody patronized them as I do? Ask yourself the question. Think. Act. Last but not least, pay the agent for The Freeman every week.

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(By Nellie Early.)

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One of the grandest Christmas entertainments ever given in the city of Jacksonville was given December 24, at Mt. E. B. church. The great ship known as the "Titanic" was represented, built by Rev. A. A. Russell, and was fine, and one of the grandest ships seen in Jacksonville all ready for sinking. The program was excellent and the ship was loaded with presents. Rev. A. A. Russell received many useful presents. The church was beautifully decorated. All Sunday School Scholars received nice presents....The entertainment given by Mrs. A. A. Russell, assisted by the Wright sisters, December 9, was a grand success. The Wright sisters were at their best. Mrs. Russell realized a neat sum. It was one of the grandest entertainments of the season. People always look forward to a grand entertainment, such as Mrs. Russell gave....Miss Bridy Ogsby is some better now....Dr. Kinniebrew and daughter, Miss Lenora made a flying trip to Chicago on business, December 27....John Norton, of Sharp St., was a Waverly visitor during the holidays....Miss Louis Skinner, of Monmouth, Ill., visited Mrs. Daniel Tinsley, of S. Hardin avenue, recently....Mrs. Molly Wright tMedlock, of Decatur, Ill., was here on account of her brother's illness....Sunday School scholars were remembered with nice presents at the Christian church——The Christmas program, December 25, at McCabe church, was well attended and each scholar received a present——A grand Christmas tree and also a ladder was had December 25, at the A. M. E. church. Each one was remembered with a present——A grand Christmas cantata was given December 24 at the Second Baptist church, assisted by Mrs. J. McCreel. The boys and girls did fine and looked fine, and the church was beautifully decorated. Old Santy Claus appeared and gave all the children a gift.

During this month The Freeman will be $1 a year.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Etta L. Hill is spending her holidays with her parents, 128 Parker St. ...Mr. Dwight Lett and Mr. Bert Thurman spent a very pleasant evening December 26 at their winter quarters.... Mr. Ira Pettiford is spending his holidays with Miss Margie Wever, of South Bend, Ind.

During this month The Freeman will be $1 a year.

LAKE FOREST, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mrs. Effie Settle of Evanston was the house guest of Mrs. Lulu Odom on Western avenue December 28. Mrs. Settle is taking a course of elocution at the Northwestern University, Evanston. She is a lady of culture and we wish her a grand success....Mr. Mack Walton's mother left for the Southland to be gone all winter. After visiting awhile in Nashville she will go to Columbia, Tenn., her old home....To my friends and customers: You will confer a favor upon me by renewing your subscription for The Freeman whilst the subscription is $1 during the month of January....The Young Men Forward Movement Club is progressing nicely. They are contemplating going into business in the near future. May they succeed in their venture....B. B. Turner is doing quite a nice business in his new venture. Try to help him succeed. He deserves the patronage of the race....Mr. Reed spent Xmas in Evanston with his mother, who has been ill for quite a while.

NOTES FROM THE SHEESLEY & HOFFMAN'S GREATER MINSTRELS.

We are still in the State of Alabama and playing to good business. The show is as follows:

Cora Boyd, Ethel Kenney, Hattie Garland, Ray Nicklos. Comedians: Chas. Hightower, Willie Brown, Charles English, Curtis Kint, Air Ship, Cuba Aston, Rastus Mattie.

Band—Ed. Fanel, band leader; Nfl J. Banon, cornet; Walter Howard, clarinet; Bennie Wright, alto; W. B. Taylor, trombone; Fred Garland, trombone; Fred Douglas, trombone; Thomas Mitchem, bass; Charles Beechum, snare drum; Al Boyd, bass drum.

COLORED CONSOLIDATED TIME FOR WEEK OF THE 5TH OF JANUARY.

Monogram, Chicago—The Deweys, Marie Burton, Crampton and Bailey.

Alpha, Cleveland—Virgie Richards, Gillam and Cook, Taylorite Duo.

Criterion, Kansas City—Kinky Doo Trio.

Crown Garden, Indianapolis—Johnson and Baylor, Jeffery and Delyons, J. Costello.

New Pekin, Dayton—Freeman-Harper-Freeman Trio, Messengale and Crosby.

Dunbar, Columbus—Walker and Green, Rube Foster.

Ruby, Louisville—May Whitman and Picks, Hester Kenton, Spencer Finley.

Pekin, Cincinnati—Pugh and Pugh, Glenn and Brogsdale.

Unique, Detroit—Branford and Jeanette, LaBlanche Young.

Booker Washington, St. Louis—Criswell and Bailey, Venable and Owens, Tyler and Girwood.

Metropolitan, Memphis—The Arrants, Bert Whitman and Picks, Thornton Sisters.

New Monogram, Chicago—String Beans—May and May, Byrd and Byrd.

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW.

(By Sylvester Russell.)

Josephine Saxton and Picks at the Grand.

There is one white actress who always has clever picks and she is Josephine Saxton, and they all made hits. Others on the bill, all white, were the Three Flying Kayo thrilling and good. Murray-Lore trio returned, Brienne and King in college flirtation and Happy Harrison and Dynamite, and a trained pony completed the bill. The last half of last week had Helen Carlos & Fielding brothers in skating acts. Fitdsimmons and Cameron, Patricola and Meyers, Corr Thomas trio, comedy bar and Five Happy Kids.

Rose Fox and Picks at the Monogram.

The jungle scene in Rose Fox's specialty with Picks was an excellent feature in her act of clever boys, as singers, dancers and actors. Madge Clinton in a good character song and artistic dancing pleased well and Jake Hellens made a hit in his baseball specialties, but he needs a better opening to precede. The Freeman trio, with a very good comedian, but never a well arranged act, gave good merriment.

Allie Gillam at the New Monogram.

The return of Allie Gillam, the greatest of tramp actors, with a new partner, Mr. Cook, was the center of attraction. Ricks & Talbert and Taylor & Glenn were all well received. F. J. Costello, a crude but talented actor, not good in female character, but a good dancer, lacking in artistic finish, pleased very well. What this actor needs is a fine wig, wardrobe and makeup.

At the Picture Houses.

The End of the Circle, at the States; A Life for a Life, at the Phoenix; Lost at Sea, at the Lincoln, and a Sheriff's Story, at the Washington, all attracted large houses. The Forest is closed until January 2, for repairs, and the Alamo is looking fine with new storm doors.

Stage Notes.

The Real quartett, Geo. Conley, Aaron Ware, William Dixon, and Wm. DeAcklin, sang "Vacant Chair at the Funeral of Major John C. Buckner, most charmingly. I can clearly remember the Major as the most pleasing cultivated gentleman of our race I ever had met in Chicago.

Clarence Jones, symphony orchestra, gave a concertt at the Chateau last Friday afternoon. The members consisted of Frank Woods, violin; Oscar Lowe, clarionet; Hallie Smith, flute; Harry Hull, bass; Geo. Bailey, trombone; Leo English, cornet; Dave Lewis, saxaphone; Chas. Mitchell, trap drummer, and Clarence Jones, pianist and director.

Save money on The Freeman. From now until January 31 one year's subscription will only cost you $1.

J. M. BUSBY'S CALIFORNIA MINSTRELS.

(By P. A. Collis.)

I met the J. M. Busby California Minstrel Company while they were playing their music on the streets in front of the playhouse. They stopped playing music to buy The Freeman. They asked me to call at their car the next Sunday morning. On going there I found their car in good shape. The show was a good one, evenly balanced and every act was a scream.

They send greetings to the profession, wishing all a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

F. M. Moore was a scream.

The male quartette was a success.

Eddie Lemmans has a bright future as a comedian.

Doc Ward as Uncle Eph made a hit.

Ina Dennis and Hattie Peyton came in for their share of applause.

Miss L. Hullett sends regards to Mrs. Ella Goodlow.

James Watkins sends regards to Robt. Brundy, also Bud Truby to Otis McDaniels and sister.

Prof. James Lacy, one of the oldest vets, is all smiles.

Official route of the J. M. Busby Company (all in Texas)—Athens, December 29; Kerns, 30; Corsicana, 31; Hubbard City, January 1; College, January 2; Maloon, 3; Hillsboro, 5; West Texas, 6; Eddy, 7; Holland, 8; Grange, 9; Georgetown, 10; Round Rock, 12; Hutto, 13; Tyler, 14; Elgin, 15; Borestrap, 16; Smithville, 17.

Mr. John Dennis sends greetings to the professional world throughout. When I asked him if he had anything more to say Mr. Dennis replied: "Nuff sed."

A PARTIAL LIST OF THE COLORED THEATERS IN THE UNITED STATES.

(Note.—The following is only a partial list of the colored vaudeville and moving picture houses that are running in every section of the United States, also their location, owners and managers. Week by week the list will be added to until a complete list of every playhouse in the country for colored people is given. If your theater does not appear in this list, please forward it and where located and the names of the owner and manager.)

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER, 521 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; Tim E. Owsley, manager and proprietor.

THE NEW GRAND THEATER, 3110 State street, Chicago, Ill.; Duke Brennen, manager; ——— Smith, proprietor.

THE MONOGRAM THEATER, 3028 State street, Chicago, Ill.; Martin Klein, manager; Miller, proprietor.

THE BOOKER WASHINGTON THEATER, 23rd and Market streets, St. Louis, Mo.; Chas. Turpin, manager and proprietor.

THE LYRIC THEATER, Kansas City, Mo.; Billy Kling, manager and proprietor.

THE CAIRO THEATER, 323 29th street, Cairo, Ill.; W. M. Hughes, manager and proprietor.

THE SENATE THEATER, 1309 Senate avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; James and Louis Hill, managers and proprietors.

THE COLUMBIA THEATER, 519 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; Clarence Dunlop, manager; Nicholson & Dunlop, proprietors.

THE DUNICK THEATER, 16th and Columbia avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; Jas. Nicholson, manager; Dunlop & Nicholson, proprietors.

THE MAJESTIC THEATER, Cedar and Cherry streets, Nashville, Tenn.; A. S. Johnson, proprietor.

THE TWELFTH AVENUE THEATER, Twelfth avenue, Nashville, Tenn.; L. W. Wastell, manager and proprietor.

THE MAJESTIC THEATER, 162 Auburn avenue, Atlanta, Ga.; A. Graves, manager; Graves & Herndon Amusement Co., proprietors.

THE NEW CENTRAL THEATER, Atlanta, Ga.; N. K. Terrell, manager; James T. Lynch, proprietor.

THE GRAND THEATER, 7th and K streets, S. W., Washington, D. C.; C. M. Coleman, manager and proprietor.

THE HOWARD THEATER, T street, between 6th and 7th, Washington, D. C.; Andrew J. Thomas, manager and proprietor.

THE DUDLEY THEATER, 1213U street, Washington, D. C.; Lew Henry, manager; S. H. Dudley, proprietor.

THE PEKIN THEATER, 548-550 Queen street, Norfolk, Va.; C. W. Mosely, manager and proprietor.

THE PALACE AIRDOME, 4½ G street, S. W., Washington, D. C.; Beverly and Adams managers and proprietors.

THE CHELSEA THEATER, M street, between 19th and 20th streets, Washington, D. C.; D. Gentry, manager.

THE PARK THEATER, 1816 Main street, Dallas, Texas; William Benbow, manager.

NEW CIRCLE THEATER, 1321 South street, Philadelphia, Pa.; George Bundy, manager; Mrs. Segel, proprietress.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, South street, above Broad, Philadelphia, Pa.; John H. Smith, manager; J. Goodman, proprietor.

THE STATES THEATER, 35th and State streets, Chicago, Ill.; Jas. T. Tank, manager.

THE PEKIN THEATER, 27th and State streets, Chicago, Ill.

THE NEW AVENUE THEATER, 31st street and Indiana avenue, Chicago, Ill.

THE GLOBE THEATER, Jacksonville, Fla.; Frank Crowd, manager and proprietor.

THE GAYETY THEATER, Mobile, Ala.; F. E. Snyder, lessee and manager.

THE METROPOLITAN THEATER, 121 South Fourth street, Memphis, Tenn.; A. Barrasso, manager and proprietor.

THE SAVOY THEATER, Memphis, Tenn.; A. Barrasso, manager and proprietor.

THE PIKE THEATER, Mobile, Ala.; R. W. Nicolls, manager and proprietor.

THE LYRIC THEATER, Miami, Fla.; C. C. Maultsby, manager; Gides Walker, proprietor.

THE GRAND THEATER, 1920-1922 Avenue B., Birmingham, Ala.; George E. Lawrence, manager; A. Spielberger, proprietor.

THE IDLE HOUR THEATER, Marshall, Texas; Walter L. Rector, manager; Johnson & Hayward, proprietors.

THE BANNER THEATER, 515 Desaird street, Monroe, La.; J. S. Fleming, manager and proprietor.

THE ELITE THEATER, Selma, Ala.

THE PEKIN THEATER, Castoo, Alberta, Canada; R. Leach, manager and proprietor.

THE PALACE THEATER, Jackson, Tenn.

THE YALE THEATER, 215 17th street, Oklahoma City, Okla.; H. H. Bean, manager and proprietor.

THE ROSE BUD THEATER, 2222 Dryades street, between Jackson and Phillips streets, New Orleans, La.; E. A. Billet, manager and proprietor.

WALNUT GROVE PARK THEATER, West Helena, Ark.; W. J. Davis, Box D, Hernandez street, manager.

THE DAKEN THEATER, 311 North Hartford street, Tulsa, Okla.; James A. Smith, manager.

THE ARCADE THEATER, 81 Decatur street, Atlanta, Ga.; Chas. P. Bailey, manager and proprietor.

THE DIXIE THEATER, Atlanta, Ga.; Chas. P. Bailey, manager and proprietor.

THE ROWENA AIRDOME, corner Hastings and Rowena streets, Detroit, Mich.

THE HOOSIER THEATER, 430 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; Riley Roberts, manager and proprietor.

THE PEKIN THEATER, Montgomery, Ala.; Julius Dreyfus, manager and proprietor.

THE RUBY THEATER, Walnut street, Louisville, Ky.; Bob Slater, manager; S. H. Dudley, proprietor.

THE OLIO THEATER, 13th and Walnut streets, Louisville, Ky.; William M. Hogan, manager and proprietor.

THE PLAYHOUSE, Tampa, Fla.; Alfred Predington, manager and proprietor.

THE HIPPODROME AIRDOME, Texas avenue and Milan street, Houston, Tex.; Thomas De La Perriere, manager and proprietor.

THE HIPPODROME FAMILY THEATER, Galveston, Texas; Thomas De La Perriere, manager and proprietor.

THE QUEEN THEATER, Wilmington, N. C.; R. V. Cross, manager and proprietor.

BOHN'S THEATER, Mobile, Ala.; Boisy Legge, manager.

THE PROGRESSIVE THEATER, Augusta, Ga.

DOUGLASS THEATER, Macon, Ga.; C. H. Douglass, manager and proprietor.

THE SOUTH SIDE THEATER, Macon, Ga.

THE LINCOLN THEATER, New York, N. Y.

THE OKAMULGEE PARK THEATER, Macon, Ga.; Charles Collier, manager and proprietor.

THE DIXIE THEATER, corner 9th and Broadway, Little Rock, Ark.; J. R. Anderson, manager; D. E. Fortin, proprietor.

THE ALPHA THEATER, 3206 Central avenue, Cleveland, O.; James E. Hicks, manager; M. Edelman, proprietor.

THE STAR THEATER, 1417 Wylie avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.; Abe Minskey, proprietor.

THE PEKIN THEATER, Fifth street, Cincinnati, O.; Ollie Demsey, manager and proprietor.

TH ELYRIC THEATER, Wilmington, N. C.; Morris H. Whippler, manager and proprietor.

THE LINCOLN THEATER, Fifth and John streets, Cincinnati, O.; Marion A. Brooks, manager.

THE DUNBAR THEATER, Dayton, O.; Robert H. Mallory, manager; office, 702 Conover building.

THE PIONEER THEATER, 513 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.; Ben Young, manager and proprietor.

THE STAR THEATER, Dallas, Texas; 2407 Elm street; James Crosby, manager.

THE NEW MONOGRAM THEATER, 3451 State street, near 35th street, Chicago, Ill.; M. Klein, manager.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATER, Corsicana, Texas; Edward D. Lee, manager.

THE CRITERION THEATER, 18th and Highland avenue, Kansas City, Mo.; Harry St. Clair, manager; Leon Jordon, proprietor.

DUDLEY SDUNBAR THEATER, Columbus, O.; E. B. Dudley, manager and proprietor.

THE BOULEVARD THEATER, 400 Boulevard street, Lake Charles, La.; Nirdlinger and Mancuso, managers and proprietors.

THE LYRIC THEATER, 606 College avenue, Bowling Green, Ky.; Chas. C. Blakey, manager; John H. Blakey, proprietor.

THE NEW PASTIME THEATER, South Johnson street, Greenville, Texas; W. D. Pratt, manager and proprietor.

THE IDLE HOUR THEATER, Marshall, Texas; Dr. Charles B. Johnson, manager; Hayward & Johnson, proprietors.

THE LINCOLN THEATER, 1021 East Washington street, Springfield, Ill.; R. A. Byrd, manager.

THE ROYAL THEATER, 1209 Springwood avenue, Asbury Park, New Jersey; Billy Ward, manager; A. C. Fletcher, sole proprietor.

THE CRESCENT THEATER, 36-38 West 135th street, New York, N. Y.; Harry Olsham, manager.

FIFTY-NINTH STREET THEATER, 313 West 59th street, New York, N. Y.; William Mack Felton, manager.

THE LAFAYETTE THEATER, 7th avenue and 131st street, New York, N. Y.; Benjamin Nibur, manager.

THE FAMILY THEATER, New York, N. Y.

THE PIONEER THEATER, New York, N. Y.

THE NAVY THEATER, Washington, D. C.

THE FAIRYLAND THEATER, Washington, D. C.

THE FORAKER THEATER, Washington, D. C.

ROYAL PALM THEATER, Greenville, Miss.; A. L. McKay, manager.

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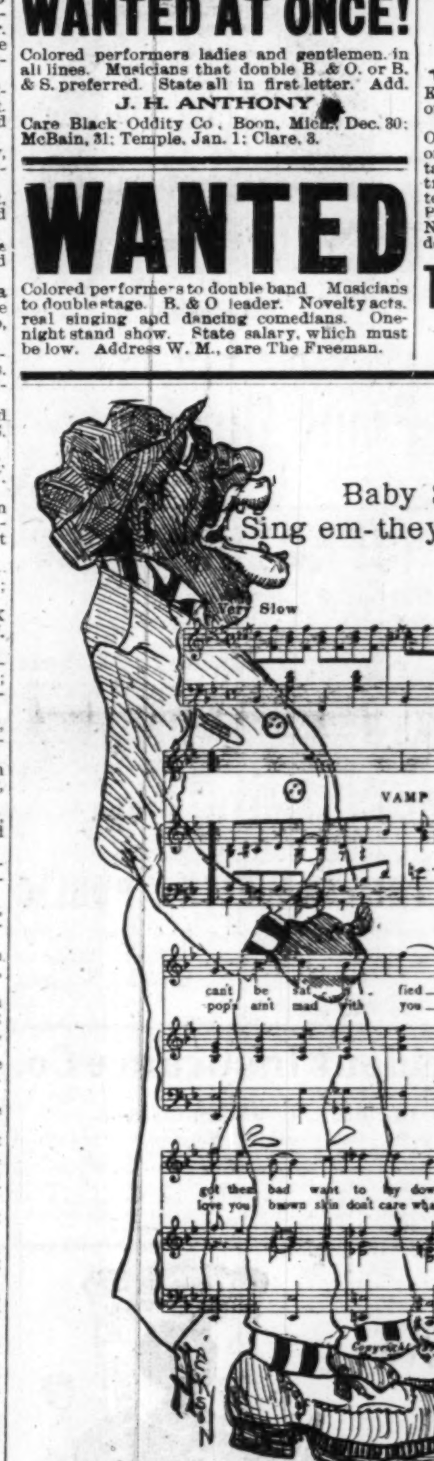

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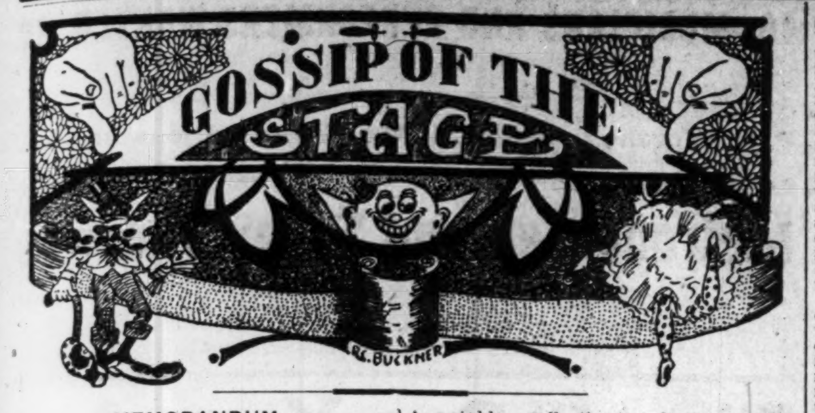

MEMORANDUM.

When the readers of The Freeman are in London, W. C., you can secure the paper from Daw's Steamship agency, 17 Green St., Charing Cross Road, W. C., London.

STAGE NOTES.

"Doc" Blair, of th Al. G. Fields Minstrels, was a Freeman caller last week.

Martin and Motely in "The Porter and Maid" at the Savoy Theater, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Little Johnny Jones and Eva Moore are at the Empire theater, Jeannette, Pa., the week of December 9.

Mr. Martin Klein, of The Monogram, Chicago, Ill., was in Indianapolis and Cincinnati, O., this week.

The Gaines Brothers, comedy acrobats, are making a big hit at the Rosebud theater, New Orleans, La., this week.

Mr. Ollie Dempsey, proprietor of the Pekin Theater, Cincinnati, O., was in Indianapolis last week on business.

Madge Clinton, after a successful week at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, is at the Monogram, Chicago, this week.

The Pewees just closed a three weeks' engagement at the Dixieland, Charleston, S. C. At the Airdome, Columbia, S. C., December 9 for several weeks.

Clever Billy Young is very ill at Ennis, Texas. He wired the Freeman that he is helpless and nearing the end. He wishes to get home to Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. W. R. Carson and Master Sherman Dudley, of 6325 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill., are spending the holidays with her mother and sister, Mrs. Alberta Omer Dudley in Louisville, Ky.

Riley Roberts, proprietor of the Hoosier theater, Indianapolis, surprised his trap drummer, R. I. Jackson, and his pianist, Jennie Rennix, with beautiful gold watches for Christmas. They are grateful to Mr. Roberts for his appreciation.

CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Just closing a year of grand financial success, the Circle is about to launch forward once more. The entire house will be put in grand shape and the new building is now in course of erection. This season has been very fruitful, turning in more real money than all five years previous combined.

Mrs. Segal was so much elated that the attaches were presented with "Merry Christmas" cards, bearing $1, $2,, $5, $10 and $20 notes. All uniformed attendants received new suits, and the poor neighbors got loads of coal.

The executive staff for 1914 will be: George E. Bundy, manager; Samuel G. Smith, assistant manager; Harry Sarage, electrician; Walter Jackson, stage manager. The Segal Amusement Company is the proprietor.

The magnets for this week are Berk Kennett and company in "Mysteries"; Miss Daisy Martin, charming entertainer; Robbins and Robbins, the one best sketch team; Sidney Perrin and Miss Blank; the Dancing Did'ers. Williams and Stevens, after four weeks of marked success, began their engagement in Boston December 29. They are without doubt the greatest team ever playing the Quaker City.

PHILADELPHIA THEATERS.

The Auditorium—The Empire.

Miss Dasy Martin, who is billed very heavy, did not come. She was held over in Washington to work with Mr. S. H. Dudley. Farrell and White were substituted in her place.

Peat and Hayes went well. They were held over for the second week. In a new act.

The Three Queens of Harmony, The Abyssinnia Trio, returned and went as big as they did the first week.

Chadwick and Crippen were good. Mr. Chadwick is king of balling and gets all out of it that can be gotten.

Business is Good. We all wish the Freeman a happy New Year.

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The Empire theater has been purchased by Mr. J. Goodman, proprietor of the Auditorium, and will conduct the same high-class entertainment that has won him so many friends and patrons at the Auditorium. But there will be no change in the policy. The house will continue to show high-class pictures only. This house is under the Elks' home, South street, and the business here makes this theater No. 2.

WASHINGTON (D. C.) THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By John H. Hall.)

S. H. Dudley Theater.

Miss Susie Sutton headed a great bill at this house. There were three acts on the bill and all were good. A classy bunch of pictures made a great holiday bill.

Foraker.

Mr. Chas. Anderson, a great singer, was the holiday attraction here. Manager Tucker put on same good run of pictures, featuring almost everything the people wanted.

New Howard.

S. H. Dudley, Washington's favorite comedian, assisted by Patrick, the mule, and Miss Daisy Martin, easily carried off the Xmas holiday honors, packing the Howard. It was a real box-office attraction. Dudley, the big reel, is as welcome in December as he is in May. He played two different weeks at the big playhouse in December and allow me to whisper that the big train steamed merrily along at 90 miles an hour each time out.

Chelsea.

Hendricks and Lee, a good sister team, was the holiday attraction here. Manager Gentry put over a great collection of pictures for the Xmas week. Same great crowds greeted Washington's favorite family theater.

Majestic.

Next week the Majestic theater, in the heart of the business section, will open for colored people, using five acts weekly from the Dudley time, opening with Chadwick and Crippen, Susie Sutton, Burt Kennett, T. Spencer Finley and the Omeona Novelty Artist. More about them next week.

Grand and Navy.

We are unable to say anything about the two above named theaters on account of not seeing the show last week. We are sorry to say this, but more about them next week.

That loud, creaking noise you heard on New Year's night was the water wagon going up You street with Lew Henry aboard. As he passed a well-known 14th street saloon Lew was heard to remark: "If I look back I am lost."

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AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER.

An entertaining bill at the Crown Garden this week. A little misunderstanding about a number, but through Manager Tim's ingenuity the regular four acts were presented.

GLENN AND BROGSDALE,

Two Comedians Brimming With Fun.

Willie Glenn and Walter Brogsdale are a couple of boys that are "out there." Both are comedians, yet they remind one very much of Williams and Walker. Glenn plays his comedy in such a way that it answers also for straight. His comedianism is of a fine order, having that natural effect which is another term for art at its best. This has in mind his mannerisms—little hesitations in his speech, inflection, repetitions such as are noted of persons we meet daily.

WALTER BROGSDALE, WILLIE GLENN.

Walter Brogsdale is good, especially when he turns doctor and prescribes for Glenn's ailment. Their work house, jail and hospital stunt is thoroughly funny.

In the windup Glenn does a piece of wench business. Both are seen here in a stunt done to the tune of "If a Body Meets a Body Coming Through the Rye." The movement is a sort of a slow drag, grotesque, a funmaker all right.

WALTER BROGSDALE, WILLIE GLENN.

They sing "Colored Aristocracy" and "I Am Sick as I Can Be," which are put over in good style. They are good all the way through; they get the applause.

STONE AND STONE,

Singing, Talking.

Stone and Stone open up with a breezy talk. The female member of this team fairly equals the male member as a comedian. Their talk is new, interesting and funny. And that is what makes a hit with an audience. The theater-goers are looking for something different to what they have seen and heard.

Miss Stone is also something of a monologist. She sings "O Lordy, Send Me a Man," an old song, but cleverly done.

"Sugar Toe" and "Samantha," as they call one another, have another talking stunt further along in the act, when they pull off a parting scene tht gets the house to yelling. Here again is a bit of acting rather true to what's often seen in life.

The male member sings "All the Little Loving I Had for You Is All Gone Now." This is followed by a well-done monologue. In the parting song a bit of blues enters, making for the rather sad and at the same time amusing effect. The act is well received.

VIRGIE RICHARDS,

Songstress.

Virgie Richards is a girl from "down East." She was formerly of the "Seven California Poppies," later of the "Smart Set" Company. She gives three singing numbers, which are artistically done.

Miss Richards is of good form, which, together with her pretty costumes and pretty face, make for a splendid stage appearance.

She sings "Sailing Down Chespeake Bay" with a good voice. Her steps include a bit of that all the rage tango. In singing "Hello, Mr. Moon," she introduces a scene of the moon and stars. Under the shadow of this night she sings her plaintive song. She gives in the two songs a good exhibition of two styles of singing—the gay and the plaintive. "Going Back to Carolina" is her third number. This is also prettily done. Miss Richards gives a refined entertainment, interesting and pleasing all through.

CINCINNATI (O.) THEATRICALS.

The Lincoln Has Successful Opening. Marion Brookes in Charge—The Pekin Doing Business as Usual.

Dreams of a decade by the Negroes of this city were realized Christmas eve, when the Lincoln theater was opened for its first performance. Ever since the small theater agitation struck this city the probability of a first-class small theater being opened in the west end of the city for the entertainment by colored people has been one of the chief topics. Several attempts have been made from time to time to interest enough colored men with capital to invest a few thousand dollars in such a scheme, but in this as in most other things they could not see their way clear to start it.

About six years ago, Mr. Ollie Dempsey, who had been the most active in trying to interest his fellow colored citizens in the theatrical movement, without success, opened up a little nickleodeon on West Fifth street by himself. Of course, the same old cry went up from some that it was to be of a very short business life. For several months he had nothing but moving pictures as an attraction. As discrimination continued to grow in the larger amusement houses, a demand was made by the patrons of the Pekin theater for something of a vaudeville character in the evenings, where they could attend without coming in contact with that nauseating prejudice that is so prevalent in all the playhouses of this city on account of a man's color. Mr. Dempsey finally yielded to the appeal of the patrons of his house and booked a number of good acts that proved successes.

Mr. Gaither, another one of Cincinnati's enterprising citizens, made the second venture in this line, but was compelled to close his house by the order of the building inspector, who claimed the house was not fireproof. An attempt was made a few years ago to open the Lyceum thater exclusively for colored people. They went there the first week, looked the place over and went back to the Pekin, and have been going there ever since.

About two years ago the ground was broken for the Lincoln theater at Fifth and John streets, and a complete fireproof building was erected at this corner, and the doors were thrown open to the public Christmas eve. Three large crowds were admitted to as many shows on the opening night. The interior of the house is a dream of perfection, with large aisles, with the seating capacity so arranged as not to interfere with the exit of people. Two large side exits on John street are available in case of fire or for emptying the house quickly during busy times. The woodwork, including the fine seats, is all of mahogany finish. The house is built of concrete from cellar to roof with a balcony that seats about 00. The seating capacity of the house is about 600. There is a beautiful little stage with clean, well-lighted dressing rooms under it. Every one who has seen the Lincoln says it is the prettiest little playhouse in the city.

Mr. Marion Brooks, the well-known manager and performer, has been engaged as manager, and he was there all smiles. Mr. Morton, the proprietor, was on hand to render whatever assistance he could for the opening. A large crowd was in waiting several hours before the time for the first show. The house soon filled up when the doors were opened.

The Lincoln orchestra, consisting of Mr. Charles Alexander, piano; Mr. Harry W. Martin, cornet; Mr. Louis Thomas, trombone, and Mr. Wm. H. Brown, drums, rendered some beautiful selections during the evening. Three pretty girls were engaged as ushers, while Mr. Fred Lewis was in charge as chief ushed. Mr. John Austin was in charge of the door, and Mrs. Smith was in charge of the ticket office. The veteran stage manager, Thomas Nobby Gales, had the performers all ready for the first bell, and the vaudeville moved off without a single mishap.

After several beautiful pictures by the Lincolngraph the first vaudeville sketch was put on by Moore and Malloy (original) in the "Dago and the Coon," which was cleverly done. Miss Theresa Burroughs followed with some clever singing and dancing. She is a graceful little performer and was loudly applauded. The closing number on the bill was Tim and Hester Moore. They are funny. It appeared that the audience would never tire of them. Mrs. Moore has a good voice and dances well, while Mr. Moore is a bundle of humor and wit. There seemed to be perfect satisfaction by the first patrons of the house, by the courtesy shown them, and the proprietor and manager are well satisfied with the first attendance. If the opening is any criterion of the future, the Lincoln is an assured success.

The Pekin theater has a good, strong bill for this week, and did a packed business. Both houses being in the one block, the people go from one to the other. This little house with a good bill, together with the popularity of its manager and attaches, will always find plenty of business.

TOMMY CARTER MARRIED TO MISS LULU COATS IN INDIANAPOLIS.

Tommy Carter, the popular comedian with the "Mischief Makers," was quietly married to Miss Lulu Coates Christmas Day at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox.

Carter is one of the best known comedians on the American burlesque stage today. He has been before the footlights for the last sixteen years and each year finds him the same popular favorite with the public. Mrs. Carter is also a well-known stage artist. At one time she was the leading member of the "Watermelon Trust." At the present time she is playing big time on one of the popular vaudeville circuits.

Mr. Carter was filling an engagement at the Majestic theater, one of the beautiful playhouses of Indianapolis.

"THE PROGRESSIVE GIRLS" AT THE MAJESTIC THEATER.

"The Progressive Girls," with Jack Reid, Ella Reid Gilbert, Etta Joerns, O. T. Crawford's successful burlesque production, will be seen here next week at the Majestic, opening with the usual Monday matinee.

This is one of the largest companies of high-class talent ever carried around the country for the entertainment of burlesque lovers and is said to contain all the features and ingredients that go to make up a two-dollar attraction. The production has been acknowledged by press and public as being the highest type of classy burlesque of the sort which in the last few years has placed the burlesque form of entertainment on an equal level with the best musical comedy attractions before the public. The production contains the best features that liberal expenditures can secure, including elaborate costumes, magnificent scenery and marvelous electrical effects, also tuneful and catchy songs and real, genuine wholesome humor. The personnel of the supporting company includes some of the most prominent artists in the vaudeville, burlesque and musical comedy fields, among them being Etta Reid Gilbert, Etta Joerns, Lillian Lippman, "Jewsica," Harry Carr, Bell and Hall, Dave Broderick.

Jack Reid, with "The Progressive Girls," Majestic Theater.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Sonny Sommers and his Alabama Blossoms start rehearsal January 5. Sonny's nenwnnnn nnnnnnnnnnnnnnn 1. yi, mbm new song hit "I've Found My Friend at Last," will be featured in the act and is destined to be one of the biggest hits of the season now being introduced by Sonny Sommers at the Cabarets.

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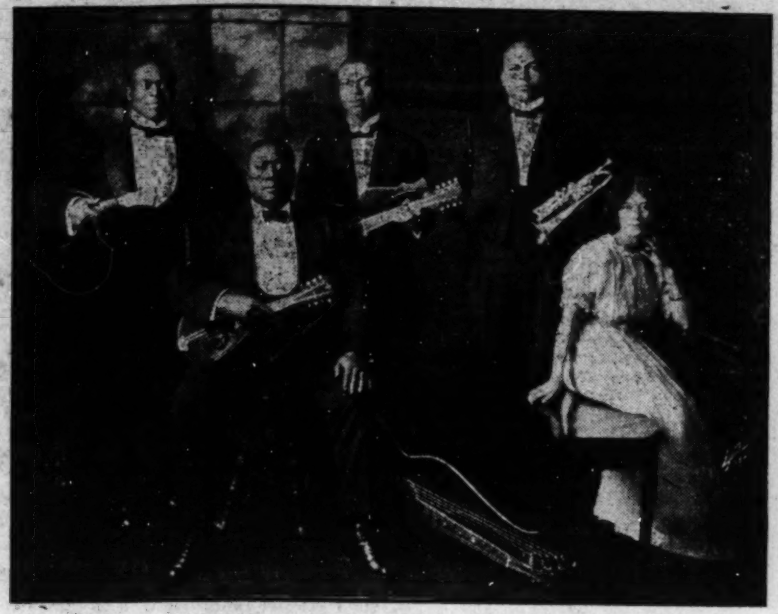

Reading from left to right, standing—C. A. Hughes, H. T. Hollie, F. D. Waldron. Sitting—F. R. Brooks, Director, Miss Coddy J. Jones.

Al. Bryant, comedian, scored a big hit last week at the Star Theater, Brooklyn.

Would like to hear from gloomy Gus Smith as soon as convenient. Billy E. Jones, 118 Lawrence St., Brooklyn.

Carita Day now back in vaudeville and working on the Western time.

Billy E. Jones, the versatile singer, is scoring a big success with the song hit "You Can't Get Away From It," receiving three and four encores.

Bert Williams return to vaudeville at the Palace Theater, New York, was a big success. Never did a man receive a stronger welcome than did this remarkable funny person. Williams was warmly greeted when he appeared on the stage and was not permitted to leave until he had added several songs to the list he had prepared, including "No-Body." There were several new songs, the best of which was "You Can't Get Away From It." It was followed by one of the most funny pantomimes.

Bert Williams is the best comedian on the American stage, a distinction which in my mind he has rightfully held for a number of years.

The Eight Black Dots with Joe Sheftell, Wesley Norris, Clarence Chase, Irene White, Lizzie Hayes, Emma Hicks, Irene Parker and Marcell Mittchel are booked solid under the direction of Fr. Wolf.

Miller and Lyles, are at the Orpheum Theater, Brooklyn.

Bert Williams at the Palace Theater.

The Clippers at the Orpheum, Boston.

Anderson and Goins at Lyric, Hamilton, Ont.

Johnson and Dean at Zentral Theater Magdeburg, Ger.

The Kemhs at 7th Ave. Theater, New York, and scoring a big success.

Rockwells Sunny South Company is reported as having a big success throughout Pennsylvania.

Al. Spence is busy rehearsing new songs for the coming season. Wish all friends a Happy New Year.

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW.

Smart Set at the Pekin—Salem Tutt Whitney Makes Chicago Debut as a Star in "The Wrong Mr. President," Finest Musical Comedy on Record.

(By Sylvester Russell.)

When Charles E. Barton, owner of the Smart Set companies, decided that his Southern company and its star, Salem Tutt Whitney, should become his only road attraction, the verdict of Withney's greatness and the combination which surrounds him was conclusive. As the foremost critic of my day, by general indorsement, after persecution, assaults by some few ignorant actors, musicians and managers, and after being crushed by newspaper men, as the survival of the fittest, I am here to state that victory in literary, musical and dramatic life belongs only to master minds of intelligence, learning, practice and experience. And to that end, not as a rebuke, but rather as a Bible lesson, I choose to introduce Mr. Whitney in a proper preliminary.

Two years ago Mr. Whitney and his road manager, Trevor L. Corwell, who is a white English composer, educated by Sir Arthur Sullivan, made up their minds that it was time for the critic, Sylvester Russell, to see the development of their work, so they sent for me to come to West Baden, Ind., several hundred miles from Chicago, at their own expense, where they banqueted me upon my arrival in Booker T. Washington style, then took me to the opera house to see their newest production. I was not only surprised at its completeness in detail but I knew then and there tht the sun had risen on the new star of the colored generation.

"Barton must have knew it,
I guess he always knew it."

So when the company came to Chicago last Sunday, almost unheralded, to open a week at the Pekin theater, I knew and was sure that the finest colored show of modern times had come to the city and that in point of merit, as a practical, educated literary actor and playwright with musical training, Salem Tutt Whitney now takes his place as the foremost actor of his race. "The Wrong Mr. President" is a musical comedy built upon original lines of Negro racial oddities and humor modernized by periodical whims and progressive lore. To this situation, after drinking fro mthe ginger springs, where intoxicant juice instead of water prevails, the scene of action as a story is based upon jocular delusion of a president who fights a hilarious duel for his claim to bogus honor. Salem Tutt Whitney, who not only has the tuition of a most eligible scholar but is gifted with the heritage of inborn humor, has developed so much as a comedian that he is now safe as a primary box attraction. Space and limit of time will not permit of lengthy comment, except to say that this company is easily the best and most legitimate shown seen since the days of Red Moon, Rufus Rastus and Abbyssinia. Of the cast in brief, supporting the star, J. Homer Tutt was a stately and magnetic personage as a straight man and in his dances with Blanche Thompson, the new leading lady, gave supreme evidence of their unexcelled quality. Miss Thompson, who is a prima donna soubret, has a voice like Fanny Wise but looks, acts and dances like Aida Overton Walker. Russell Smith, the composer, sang well and acted capably. Alfred Strander as the old man was capable, but could improve on his distinctness of speech. Frank Jackson is a tenor of baritone quality, full of sympathy and sweetness. Hattie Akers was also a novel soubret in comely character. Others in the cast were Charles Olden, Harry Bracken, Will Dixon, Sam Gray, Nina and Ethel Marshall, Lena Roberts, Ora Dunlop, Grace Kneff and a fine singing chorus.

The play was written and staged by Mr. Whitney and the lyrics were by himself and Homer Tutt. The music was composed by Messrs. Corwell and Smith. The ensemble and chorus numbers, equal to grand opera in splendor, were by Mr. Corwell. Charles Lucky Roberts, the leader, gave evidences of a bright future, and Laurence Williams is the trap drummer. The special musicians were Frank Tate, violinist, who made a finer showing than ever; George Bailey, trombone; Harry Moore, cornet, and Harry S. Lane, clarinet. J. Martin Frees is business manager in advance.

FROM JOHN DENNIS.

John Dennis writes from Athens, Tex.: We are still doing capacity biz in Texas. While in Tyler, Texas, we had the pleasure of playing a colored theater, owned and managed by Mr. J. C. Long, a highly esteemed and enterprising business man, foremost in all financial enterprises, motion pictures and polite vaudeville.

Our band and orchestra and advancing and also our stage is managed by Mr. Chas. Smith, a soloist of rare ability. New songs are being rehearsed for 1914. We expect to make many changes in our near future. We all send regards to the profession. J. W. Dennis sends regards to Chas. English and the Boyds, Al and Cora.

CINCINNATI (O.) THEATERS.

The Pekin—The Lincoln.

Venable and Owens, a sister team, are the openers at the Pekin Theater this week, with a good turn. The ladies have costly costumes, good voices and are clever dancers. The closing number is Brodford and Jennettée, another new team playing over this time. This act is one of the good ones and should be heard from further up the line. They have a good singing, dancing and talking turn.

The Lincoln Theater started on its second week with the Foster Photo player picture, that attracted an unusual amount of interest. They have a good bill for the night show. Miss Lottie Grady, who shows up so well in the moving picture, has a clever turn in the olio; she sings and dances well. Our old favorite Joseph Simms is with us, still making them laugh; he has a host of friends here who gave him a grand reception. Arthur Porter, our own home boy, and Bennie Dunham are the closing number with a clever turn.

Notes.

Mr. Ollie Dempsey remembered a number of his friends with nice useful presents for Christmas.

It is rumored that Miss Lucy Shepherd, better known as the Pekin Nightingale, will soon return to this city.

You have been waiting for our annual bargain rates on The Freeman. Now they are here. Send in to our office $1.00, your name and address and we will send you The Freeman for fifty-two weeks. This offer ends January 31. Look what you will save: Fifty-two issues at 5 cents per issue costs you $2.60; our bargain rates save you $1.60.

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SHEESLEY AND HOFFMAN'S MINSTRELS—Itta Bena, Miss., January 5; Moorehead, 6; Indianola, 7; Leland, 8; Greenville, 9; Rolling Forks, 10.

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Bruce, Chas.
Brown, Herman
Bevard, Sylvester
Butler, W. H.
Bruce, Joe
Boyd, Clifton
Bevard, Sylvester
Christian, Geo. H.
Colemans, The
Cross, Prof. U.
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Davis, Samuel
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Stafford, Harry
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The Tollivers
Viney, W. E.
Vaughn, W. T.
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Grist, Ciela
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Colored People Not Much For Charity.

Stillwater, Okla., Deember 19.

Mr. Elwood Knox, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Sir—A man by the name of "Billy" Brady (an old colored stage performer) landed in the town on the 13th of last month. He was broke down with sickness, with only 10 cents in his possession. He was looking for his father and asked me for shelter for the night. The city jail was the best that I could do. He and I have been unsuccessful in locating his people, and he has been with me ever since.

He says that everybody in the show business knows him, and he wants you to give him a writeup in your paper with big headlines. The colored people here are not much for charity, contributing $4.70 in his behalf, and I have furnished the rest of his living.

"Billy" wants to go to California, as he thinks that the climate will be a great benefit. I believe that his teeth are the cause of all his troubles, as they are badly decayed and the flow from the ulcerations go to his stomach. However, I will have a doctor examine him tomorrow.

He asks that all benefits in his behalf be sent to me, John O. Slack, as he has all the confidence in me.

If you can meet his request, please send me a copy of The Freeman.

Yours very truly,
JNO. O. SLACK,
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Robinson and Lyfe, the colored magicians ,are now in vaudeville in their new magic comedy act. Now on their way to 'Frisco, where they will open on the western time.

The Two Weavers—Eula and Jule—are playing dates in and around Minneapolis, and St. Paul, Minn., and are meeting with great success. Will be glad to hear from friends. Address 220 11th avenue, South, Minneapolis, Minn.

Julius Thompson, the Cincinnati tent man, is making the new tent theater for C. L. Erickson, manager Famous Alabama Minstrels. Canvas to be used for Show No. 2, and will be a 60-foot round top, with three thirty-foot middle pieces.

The Clark Brothers are in Louisville after touring the South with "Alabama Minstrels," and are now at the Olio. They have a seven-year-old year with them who is a No. 1 buck and wing dancer. Mr. Joe Clark will soon take charge of Mr. Lum Simon's Amusement Park.

ALLEN'S MINSTRELS.

J. B. Norton writes from Trenton, Fla.: We are all well and enjoying the very best of health, and everybody is all smiles. We have made a great addition to our show in the past few days. Wm. King Phillip, Eldridge Collins and John Walker joined us at Quincy and made our band much stronger. We now have a band to be proud of. Our band leader is putting over some real classy music.

John Verdun says for Billy Eldridge to write some time. Louis Constellawil is doing pretty fair in his female impersonations and sends his best wishes to all. The Watts Brothers are still tumbling as ever, having their ups and downs.

J. B. Norton, our stage manager, has put on one of his latest acts for the concert, and it is some act, I bound you.

We wish all in and out of the profession a Happy Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

RUBY THEATER
THREE FORKS, MONTANA

The Earle and Johnson Sunflower Comedy Company is touring Montana with great success Has just closed a week's engagement at the Family theater, at Helena. All send regards and a happy New Year to the profession

THE LOCKHART STOCK COMPANY.

(By Harrison Blackburn.)

The Lockhart Stock Company, under the management of Mr. Harrison Blackburn, opened in Lake Charles, La., December 20, to S. R. O. We are booked for the holidays. Mr. T. W. Lockhart, the owner of the company, is sick in Shreveport, La.

Mrs. Lockhart is in Shreveport with her husband, attending him during his illness.

The Boulevard theater is the largest colored theater in the South; Nurdlinger & Mancuro, managers and owners.

We wish all a happy New Year.

THEATRICAL NEWS
OF LYNCHBURG, VA.

The stock company at the Ford theater is composed of Cy Williams, Misses Floyd E. White, Louise Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Green. The company is cleaning up as never before, and is under the management of the "Original Bert Watts and Wills, one of the best teams on the D. O. K. time. This team is a hit, their act being one of the best seen in vaudeville. They were held over for the week of December 22.

On Sunday, December 21, Mrs. Alice Gregory gave her only daughter, Lilse Colston Preston, in marriage to Mr. William Elbert Green, better known as Bert Green. Regards and best wishes to all friends in and out of the profession.

NORFOLK, VA.

C. H. Coffey Confined to the Hospital.

C. H. Coffey, the well-known commedian and producer, is confined in the Protestant hospital in Norfolk, where he has been for the last two weeks, suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia. He expects to be well and back in vaudeville in a few weeks. He asks his friends to please write him a letter or even a postal card. He says, "Write to me, Jack, I want to hear from you." Address mail to C. H. Coffey, Protestant Hospital, Norfolk, Va.

MRS. LENA WOLFSCALE DEAD.

Wife of Prof. Wolfscale of Barnum & Bailey.

CHICAGO—Mrs. Lena Wolfscale, beloved wife of Prof. James E. Wolfscale, late of Barnum and Bailey Shows, died at the Provident hospital, Chicago, Ill., sometime after 6 o'clock Friday morning, December 26. Mr. Wolfscale and sons and Mrs. Della Thompson, Mrs. Wolfscale's youngest sister, left Chicago Friday night with the body for her home in Chillicothe, Mo., where she was laid to rest.

Mrs. Wolfscale leaves a father, mother, husband, three sons, three brothers and two sisters to mourn her death.

THE LOCKHART STOCK COMPANY.

The Lockhart Stock Company is now playing a two weeks' engagement at Lee street theater, Alexandria, La., with Lake Charles to follow. Mr. T. W. Lockhart, our owner, is on the sick list but his many friends wis hhim speedy recovery. Mr. Harrison Blackburn, our manager, is attending to all business during Mr. Lockhart's illness. Mrs. Ada Lockhart is also on the sick list but is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart were unable to travel and remained in Shreveport under the doctor's care, while Mr. Blackburn carried the company on to Alexandria. Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart would like to hear from their many friends. Regards to our beloved Freeman which is eagerly looked for every Monday. Mrs. Susie Harris, who has been on the sick list is able to return to the boards again. Regards to all in and out of the profession.

PROF. EPH WILLIAMS' FAMOUS TROUBADOURS AND SILAS GREEN COMPANY.

(By Marvelous La Vola.)

We spent Christmas in Hattiesburg, Miss. After the parade the private car Rhoda was elaborately decorated with Christmas greens, and the entire company assembled to listen to a few timely remarks relative to the occasion by W. A. Baynard, after which our genial stage manager, Mr. Will Goff Kennedy, passed out the many gifts.

Prof. and Mrs. Eph Williams received many useful and costly presents from the members of the company. Many presents were exchanged between members of the company, which included diamonds, rings, watches, umbrellas, bath robes, silverware, cut glass, books and many other articles too numerous to mention. On a whole, it was the grandest Christmas yet celebrated by the Troubadours.

The company wishes a happy New Year to all in the profession, and last, but not least, to the whole staff of the dear old Freeman.

Prof. and Mrs. Eph Williams exerted every effort in making this the grandest of all Christmas celebrations. They gave costly and handsome presents to every member of the company, canvas men included.

W Goff Kennedy is surely getting younger and is wearing the smile that won't come off. He says his hat is still in the ring. He wishes to thank all his friends and acquaintances who remembered him.

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Race's Foremost Theatrical Genius and Comedian Tendered Magnificent Dinner by Admirers at the Nation's Capital — Past Achievements, Present Successes and Plans for the Future —Some Telling Speeches Made.

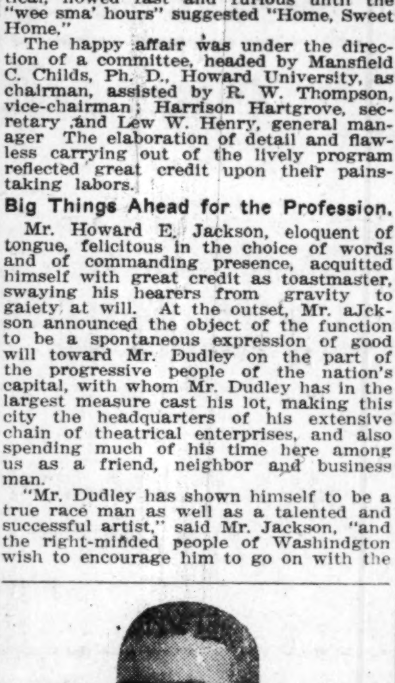
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—After the final curtain following the recent engagement of Mr. S. H. Dudley at the Howard theater last Saturday night, a distinguished company of the Washington admirers of the race's foremost theatrical genius and comedian of this generation, sat down to a sumptuous feast, tendered in his honor at the California Delicatessen Parlors of Mr. A H. Underdown at 1226 U street, northwest. Covers were laid for forty, and the guests embraced not only a goodly number of the substantial men of the capital, who are interested in the dramatic profession, but the alluring picture was brightened by the presence of a dozen or more of the fair sex, whose smiling faces and silvery laughter gave unmistakable evidence of their heartiest appreciation of the good things that were placed before them and their approval of the luminous artory that came "after coffee." The ladies were handsomely gowned and the gentlemen wore the conventional evening dress. The menu, with turkey as the piece de resistance, ran the gamut of the toothsome viands offered by this rich southern market, and it is enough to say that it was gotten up only as Caterer Underdown knows how to get up such delightful spreads. The dinner, service and ware were all that the most fastidious epicure could ask, and the wit and humor, intermingled with the serious and practical, flowed fast and furious until the "wee sma' hours" suggested "Home, Sweet Home."

The happy affair was under the direction of a committee, headed by Mansfield C. Childs, Ph. D., Howard University, as chairman, assisted by R. W. Thompson, vice-chairman; Harrison Hartgrove, secretary ,and Lew W. Henry, general manager The elaboration of detail and flawless carrying out of the lively program reflected great credit upon their painstaking labors.

Big Things Ahead for the Profession.

Mr. Howard E. Jackson, eloquent of tongue, felicitous in the choice of words and of commanding presence, acquitted himself with great credit as toastmaster, swaying his hearers from gravity to gaiety at will. At the outset, Mr. aJckson announced the object of the function to be a spontaneous expression of good will toward Mr. Dudley on the part of the progressive people of the nation's capital, with whom Mr. Dudley has in the largest measure cast his lot, making this city the headquarters of his extensive chain of theatrical enterprises, and also spending much of his time here among us as a friend, neighbor and business man.

"Mr. Dudley has shown himself to be a true race man as well as a talented and successful artist," said Mr. Jackson, "and the right-minded people of Washindgton wish to encourage him to go on with the good work he has undertaken, amid difficulties that we well understand, but which his experience and tenacity of purpose will be sure to overcome in the end. We have come here tonight to offer him our hand in applause of his past achievements, in praise of his present successes, and in assurance of our earnest support of the big plans he has in mind for the future. He is not working for himself alone. He can make his way without all this effort, stress and trouble. He is helping his less fortunate brethren, and he is helping the entire race, by opening a new door of hope for the display of the Negro's artistic capacity and demonstrating that we can march, with precision and dignity, behind a theatrical captain of our own blood and kindred, without failing to give due credit to the managers of another race who seem kindly disposed toward us. The people of Washington, represented modestly here by this group of sympathetic spirits, are anxious to show Mr. Dudley that they are with him, heart and soul, in his commendable effort to solve the vexed amusement problem of the Negro race. The continued success of Mr. Dudley means big things ahead for the colored performer in the world of music and the drama."



S. H. DUDLEY.

Mr. Dudley a "Creator, Never an Imitator."

"S. H. Dudley is essentially a creator," said Mr. R. W. Thompson, upon being introduced as the next speaker. "He has never been an imitator of others. He is a student of the best stage traditions, and from his naturally keen observation and remarkable powers of mimicry, he has evolved a stage personality entirely his own, with methods that are original and inimitable. With most of us (especially my good friend Lew Henry), Mr. Dudley has had the opportunity to analyze the peculiarities of both the old school of comedians and the new. We have seen Kersands, Lucas, Bland, McIntosh, Hogan, Larkins, Logan, Cole, McClain and Bert Williams all pass in review along with Emerson, Rice, Dockstader, Cushman, Raymond, Goodwin and Cohan. Dudley may have taken an ingredient here and there from them all, but the combination is his own, just as the skilled chef makes a dish from many materials, but the completed article is so unique that no savor save its own is apparent. In management, Mh. Dudley has had the opportunity to study Callender, Sam Jack, Isham, Jack Haverly, Will Cleveland, Hurtig & Semon, Charles Barton, Voelckel & Nolan, Gus Hill, Keith, Hammerstein, Zeigfeld, Cohan and the rest, to profit by their wisdom and to be warned by their mistakes. He can steer his little bark between their lines and reach a harbor of safety through a chart of his own making. I expect to see the present Dudley theater enlarger, because there is a field here for another big theater. I expect to see the Dudley circuit grow, because there is an insistent demand for it, on the part of both the managers and the public, to say nothing of that the rapidly filling ranks of the performers must have, if they would make the business pay."

Mr. Thompson called attention to the fact that Mr. Dudley succeeded Ernest Hogan in the stellar comedy role of Geo. Washington Bullion in in the Smart Set, and made an instantaneous hit for originality and accuracy of interpretation, without ever having seen Mr. Hogan enact the part. His success, following so finished a performer as Ernest Hogan, then the idol of the comedy world, surprised even his most ardent admirers, and placed him at once in the front rank of the humorists. Mr. Thompson continued with the remark, "His triumph has been due to the fact that he has been, not only great, but just so different from the rest."

Mr. Thompson then gave a brief resume of the career of Mr. Dudley from his personal knowledge of the man and his work, and painted a glowing picture of the El Dorado that awaited the Negro in the theatrical firmament, when managers, performers and public alike came to the full realization of the immense possibilities that lie in the development of a colored firm that can book high-class acts, promote and stage productions of the standard type, bring forward artists of every description and guarantee adequate salaries, elevate the moral and intellectual plane of the profession and advance the welfare of all engaged in the business, from stage hand to impressario. "These little meetings, with their friendly interchange of opinion, ought to be held often," said Mr. Thompson. "Let this gathering tonight be a rivulet typifying friendly inspiration which, joining many of its kind as it goes down the mountain side, will make a mighty river, meeting finally in an ocean of improved opportunities, unlimited in expense, immeasurable in its depth."

"The Gentleness of All the Gods Go With Thee!"

Speeches in similar vein, detailing experiences of a varied nature with Mr. Dudley and in the profession, were delivered by the guests, many of the performers confessing that they have been materially assisted at critical moments by the open-handed generosity of the guest of honor. The citizens found numerous incidents illustrative of Mr. Dudley's never-failing public spirit and race pride. Among those who spoke were Lew W. Henry, Mr. Dudley's local manager; Lieut. E. R. Gaither, late of the United States Army; Judge R. H. Terrell, who came late but got in a good word; T. Spencer Finley, dubbed as the statesman-comedian; Will A. Cooke and Allie Gilliam, one of the newest teams of old-time performers; Edward Tolliver, formerly of Whitney's Smart Set; Dr. Mansfield C. Childs, the promoter of the delightful event; Charles Francis Adams, manager of the Navy theater; William Ramsey, Mr. Dudley's leading man and erstwhile private secretary; Franey Paynem, formerly manager of the Foraker, and William G. Washington, a prince of chauffeurs.

"There Never Will Be a Civilization Where Comedy Is Not Possible."

Mr. Dudley feelingly responded to the good things that had been said of him by his friends, saying it was pleasant to be so well thought of, even if he did not measure up to the high mark set by them. He told of his early struggles on the stage and of the dreams he had cherished. While he had traveled some of the distance toward his goal, he was still a long way from it and felt the need of just such encouragement as had been given him tonight to keep his feet in the right path, sturdy as his determination might be.

"I have never been a quitter," declared Mr. Dudley. "When I put my hand to the plow, there is nothing for me to do but plow ahead and watch that the furrow is straight. I have been behind the footlights for twenty-two years, seventeen of them at the head of a company. This is the first season I have not gone out with a company. The reasons are obvious. I could not get the bookings that I deemed advantageous to my people or myself. I figured out that I could do better for all concerned by devoting my tim to the development of my theatrical enterprises, completing my chain of houses, securing a line on the best Negro talent and opening doors that would eventually provide places of refuge for big companies and little ones that my people will soon be in a position to send out upon the road, North and South, East and West. I try not to boast of my 'unselfishness.' I realize that the more I do for my profession, the more I do for myself in the long run. I am ambitious to see satisfactory playhouses in all the available cities. As far as possible I want to see them financed by Negro capital, and I hope to see Negro productions backed by Negro money, manager by Negro brains. We have both money and brains, if we will just put the mto work. I thank all of you for the friendly spirit displayed. Washington is the natural theatrical center for operations in the East and South, and I feel at home here among you. I hope to see a new Dudley theater rise on U street by and by, owned, operated and staged by Negroes. Let us stand together, pursuing a policy of 'live and let live,' and we shall all win together."

Others present besides those mentioned above were Misses Desdemona Barnett, Mamie Sloan, Marie Gee, Aline Cassells, Alice Dickerson, Clara Smith, Pearl Hughes, Marjorie Murray, Mamie Chinn, Anna Perry, Edna Wilson, Fannie Mills, Rose Truehill, Minnie Butler, Bessie Shaw, Lyllyn Browne, Anna Colbert, Bessie Brown, Estelle Harris and others; and Messrs. Harrison Hartgrove, Frank Brown, William D. Evans, J. C. Reeves, Albert Adams, Frank Alexander, William Carrington, Joseph Manford, James C. Kenney, William Perry, Henry L. Jackson, W. T. Smith, Richard Green, John H. Hall, Douglas Gentry, Robert Harlan, Joseph Simms, L. P. Costley and others.

"Will you see the players well bestowed?
For they are the abstracts and
Brief chroniclers of the time."

THE PASSING SHOW
IN WASHINGTON

(By Ar-W-Tee.)

Miss Gertrude M. Ryan at the Howard, Miss Desdemona Barnett at Dudley's, and Miss Marie Gee at the Fairyand, have been handling the Christmas crowds at the box office with neatness and dispatch. They are all charming young ladies and know how to please the patrons of the houses they represent.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the eminent dramatic reader, has been filling engagements in Virginia, and is now preparing for her long tour of the South, where she is a favorite with all classes. Miss Davis is a native of Baltimore, was long a resident of New Orleans, and comes of the purest Southern stock, being a lineal descendant of the famous Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

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A recent cover of The Crisis carried a striking likeness of Miss Lottie Gee, of the sister team of King and Gee, now Mrs. Wilson H. Kyer in private life. Miss Gee is one of the winsomest young women on the stage and deserves all the success she has achieved.

Murphy and Walker made a hot of friends here during their several weeks' engagement here. They are original in their methods and put over a lot of real humor. Their fussy dialogue is the best of its kind heard behind the footlights.

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Business men re finding the slides on the curtin to be an effective advertising medium, especially when the card is something out of the ordinary.

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The popularity of the Howard's notion store on Wednesday and country store on Saturday nights is undiminished. The presents are useful and really worth trying for. Mr. R. G. Byars as storekeeper is always on the job and his unique monologue is alone worth the price of admission.

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Miss Lyllyn Browne, brilliant singer and impersonator, and Billy DeMont, the droll comedian and cartoonist, are drawing crowds at Wilmington, following successful stops at Wilson and Newberne.

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Now that W. Calvin Chase has done his little vaudeville turn and gatehered unto himself a much-needed noteriety in the spotlight, we pass him up and go on to a consideration of the real artists who come our way week by week. There are things that are best forgotten, and that fake testimonial is one of them.

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S. H. Dudley in a special act with Miss Daisy Martin, Miss Susie Sutton, the stage's most realistic old maid; Fiddler and Shelton, impersonator and musician; T. Spencer Finley, the statesman-comedian; Miss Inez Clough, prima donna de luxe, and Harris and Turner, sketch artists, are a few of the performers who have been delighting the Christmas audiences at the various playhouses.

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Two very pleasing reunions at the theatrical home of Mrs. Eliza J. Morton (Aunt Jane), 1933 Ninth street, enlivened the holiday season. Many of the performers were present at each function.

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Frank Brown, a playwright and manager of considerable experience, has secured a ten years' lease on the Majestic theater at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street, in the heart of the business section of the city. The stand is a fine one and easy of access by cars from all over the city. The locality is an open one and the lights of the theater can be seen from long distances, making it decidedly attractive to the passer-by, seeking amusement. It was our contention fifteen years ago that this was one house that the Negroes should secure for a theater of their own, as it had not been a success in the past two decades for white people, as the newer houses had deflected the patronage of the desirable classes of that race. The theater has been under many managements in recent years, and has been known as Ford's Opera House, the Empire and the Bijou at various times, before being christened the Majestic. Mr. Brown is having the place entirely renovated and modernized and its doors will be thrown open to the public on the 5th of January with a strong bill. There is every reason to believe that Mr. Borwn will be able to make ,the house go. There is ample room for a first class theater, both uptown and downtown. Competition is said to be the life of trade. Mr. Brown went to New York this week to book attractions for the Majestic.

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The Odeon will be a colored theater soon, so the prophets say. This theater is unique in that it is located on a strictly Negro street and its license was obtained entirely through colored signers. Yet it is operated exclusively for whites. Is there anything like it in the whole country?

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Miss Susie Sutton is renewing her acquaintanceship with a multitude of friends here this week. Miss Sutton is an artist in the truest sense of the word, and is one of those who study for better things all the time. She played here for nearly a year at a single house, and proved a strong drawing card throughout, changing her act every week and keeping the people guessing as to what she would do next. Miss Sutton never fails to deliver the goods and can get any number of return egagements at any house that she has ever played. Washington is one of Miss Sutton's numerous homes, and we are always glad to see her.

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Lew Henry has an important announcement that he will make soon. Ask him what it is, if you wish to see his face expand into a broad grin. Sly old fox is Lew Henry.

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Miss Daisy Martin is going it alone on the eastern circuit. She is a fine card and a conscientious worker always.

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Misses Effie King and Lottie Gee, those Ginger Girls, have just closed a six-week tour of New England and are putting in the holiday season in and around New Yoirk City on the Leon time. They return to Boston week of January 9, opening at the Bowdoin Square theater on the United time, preliminary to a campaign of three or four months in the far East. The Ginger Girls are having their best year since they became partners and their salary has been raised several notches higher than they have ever enjoyed before. "Feeling fine, both of us, thank you," writes Miss King. "Regards to all friends in and out of the profession."

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S. H. Dudley says Tim Moore is a real comer as a comedian. Watch him.

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Mme. E. Axalia Hackley is in Georgia. She spent the holidays at Morehouse College, Atlanta, having come on from a series of engagements at the Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn. At an early date we shall be in a position to announce some very elaborate plans Mme. Hackley has in mind.

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John Smith is the new trap drummer at Dudley's.

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Manager A. J. Thomas has been to New York, looking up a fine line of attractions for the Howard. Mr. Thomas has been putting on some fine bills this season and is sparing neither pains nor expense to see that his discriminating patrons have the best the market affords.

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"My Friend from Kentucky" is to return.

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Fiddler and Shelton are headed southward over the Dudley time.

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Is the Calvin Chase, who pulled off a fake testimonial in the alleged interest of Manager Thomas, the same Chase who roasted the Howard when Mr. Thomas opened it two years ago, and who desisted only when threatened with a suit for libel? Is he the same Chase whose credentials as delegate to the Republican National Convention Mr. Thomas, as the judge of election, refused to sign, because of fraud at the polls? These questions are sent us by a correspondent Yes, dear inquirer, this is the same old Chase.

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Much interest is being manifested in local theatrical circles over the opening of the new Bijou theater at Durham, N. C. It is said to be a finely appointed house, well located, and seats 1,00 people. The manager is Claiborne White.

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John H. Hall is doing some excellent press work for the ten or a dozen Washington theaters. He gives everybody a square deal, playing no favorites.

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Anita Patti Brown is scoring heavily in and about Kingston, Jamaica.

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Washington is anxiously awaiting the coming of Miss Carita Day, who has been recalled to the stage by the voice of the people. She is now in Michigan.

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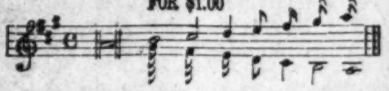

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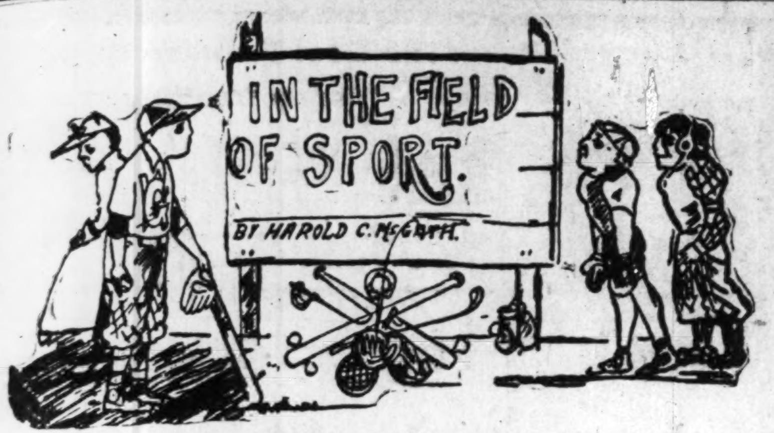
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BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

A SONG OF THE SCRAPPERS.

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(By Billy Lewis.)

About Scraps.

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Who clout each other in the jaw and pull down 50 cents.
They never say a word about preliminary guys,
Who muss each other's features up and black each other's eyes.
But when the prima donnas fight they loaf ten rounds or so
And never muss each other's hair or hit a healthy blow;
They stall around and capture all the coin there is in sight,
And leave it to the poor prelims to show the crowd a fight.

—Geo. E. Phair in Chicago Examiner.

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There is much more sense in the foregoing lines than sound; it's rather long meter, but it gets there just the same. Well, I guess the boys are right in preserving themselves when they reach the top. It is so in most affairs—those at the top take it easy. Some time ago I referred to that great cartoon of the late Homer Davenport, where one man stood triumphant on a tower of human skulls and bones, the wrecks of men in their struggle upward. This one man, or one man of thousands, is successful in reaching the goal. I imagine he needed the rest that he seems to be taking. So when I see bank presidents, railroad presidents, great officials of any kind, of baseball associations, clubs, great pitchers, batters, great fighters at the zenith, I think that in their now seeming non-activity they need the rest. Of course, the pitchers and batters and so forth must toil right along, but it is simply to maintain themselves; their reputations are made. This is practically the same thing as that ease of men in other spheres of life.

But the cost of it all is the question. Song and story have not been writ that will tell of the struggles of those who built to that apex spoken of—the Davenport cartoon. The mute bones are wordless, but they are songs, and whose sense outmastered the meter, to use the expression of Realf. The pugs at the top, when dallying along, drawing easy funds, are simply following the law of successful mankind. Rest, rest, the compensation of toil. We must have it—all of us. If not at the top of the world, above the clouds, then in the shady mausoleum 'neath the weeping willows—some of us.

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Old Fitz can do it, so he says. One is impressed with what he says along the pugilistic line. He is so in earnest. He is put out because the "white hopes" have made such a poor showing. Here is the note:

After watching two heavyweight scrappers at Madison Square Garden in New York, December 23, old Bob Fitzsimmons crawled through the ropes and declared he thought it his duty to challenge the entire field of white hopes. He added that his son would soon be a fighter who would win back the heavyweight championship from the Negro race.

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I have already spoken of Fitz on Reno. This was some time ago, when he and his wife were playing at the Colonial theater, Indianapolis. He grew eloquent as he discussed the Johnson-Jeffries fight. He was something to see when the last bit of his spirit stood up in his nature, causing him to appear a superman among lesser mankind. Negro I was all right, yet I liked his beautiful vehemence of speech, his eloquent hate of a situation that recognized the passing of the scepter from his race. Every nerve was tense as he clenched his great fists and at the same time pulling himself to a seemingly spiritual stature which outran his physical by many feet. Then came the torrents of expressions of his feelings when he saw the great Jeffries crumbling like an assaulted wall 'neath that battering ram, Jack Johnson. Says he: I tried to think my own strength on to that of Jeffries; I would crowd my soul onto his and with this mighty duo crush the Negro colossus down to nothing. It was plain to see that his soul was aflame—all shotted with the fire of chagrin and defeat, standing as the representative of a lost cause. He was as a very "The Last of the Mohicans," who, as it were, had inherited the concentrated hate of all his kind for all the years. He was beautiful in his spirit of "vengeance," if I may so call it. Had he been a savage he would have torn out his hair by the roots, would have beat the ground and the rest of it. He wanted the trophy within his race where it had always been. His frenzy was admirable. I had no share in his sentiment. I liked to see those great waves of passion roll over him when he was plus man. I had not in mind the victory on my own race side. I had in mind superb manhood, heightened to its uttermost by what was to him a tragedy of circumstance.

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Doubtless Fitzsimmons thought the years following Reno would have heaved forward one of the possible many to redeem the situation of defeat. Man after man have trotted in the arena all beplumed as ancient knights, all fit hopes to strike the blow of redemption. One by one these candidates have failed to make good. The "dragon," as it were, still infests the great highway, able and ready to meet all who are willing.

The recent poor showing of the white hopes has driven the grand old man from the point of forbearance. Patience is no longer a virtue. He is sick and tired of the whole ship's crew of miserables—women, faint hearts—"O, shangodaya."

"Back to old Nakomis, faint heart."

Like so many who have seen the lowering of colors in their walks of life are eager to grab up the standards themselves in spite of age and affliction. They are eager to be in the thick of strife with their old skill, strength, valor. The situation needs a man, and the has been often thinks he is it. Applause to his courage. But, alas, courage is not always strength.

One thinks of old Don Quixote, that immortal creation of Cervantes, when he thinks of the old master re-entering the ring. Age, together with hard use, has done the work for him and all of his kind. I mean those above forty. Forty is an early age for men as a rule, but for fighting men it is a century. I have said that coffee must never get cold if it is expected to be good; that is, it won't stand reheating. Most foods are the same way. Prize fighters can not afford to stale altogether. They might flag down a bit, but there can be no such thing as total rest from physical activity. The great Fitzsimmons will be admired for his zeal, for his race partisanship, and all that, but I am much afraid that the scepter has passed to Ethiopia for all time to come; that is, by right of the might of men. However, I think white men right in their fight to recover what they have lost since we recognize races as distinct human factions. Fight eternally, but legitimately, is right in spirit.

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WHAT'S DOING ALONG SPORTING LINES.

News comes from Paris that Georges Carpentier and Joe Jeanette have been matched for a fight to come off in the very near future. Their managers said the time and place have not been selected. They are looking for the biggest purse available and will stage the fight wherever they can get the largest guarantee. Carpentier is the French "white hope," just as Bombardier Wells is the English "white hope." Joe Jeanette is one of the big four Negro heavies, the quartet which separates the white fellows from their fond desire.

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According to report Sam Langford and Joe Jeanette are in Paris. They seem prepared to attend to all small game, but the great Jack Johnson is the great object. The colored men are getting out from under the embargo that was put on their activities.

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During the fifty years of the English Civil Service Amateur Athletic Association they have run off contests in which over 15,000 athletes have taken part, and have presented them with over 2,000 prizes of a value of over $25,000.

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Sir Thomas Lipton's new challenger for the America cup, Shamrock IV, is the first yacht to be built in England under the American rule measurements. She will probably be launched next April and be ready to begin sailing trials in May for the preliminary tuning up before crossing the Atlantic ocean to meet the American defender.

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Manager Tom O'Rourke is anxious to match "Porky" Flynn against Gunboat Smith for $5,000 a side.

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Harry Stone, the New York lightweight who is now in Australia, has defeated the four opponents he has met there.

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Horace Weltmer, who eats no meat, is the strong man of Missouri State University. He is from Nevada, Mo., and is a junior in the College of Arts and Science. He is studying to become a physical instructor. Weltmer scored 2,580 points in the eight tests. H. K. Thatcher, second, captain of the track team, scored 2,387. The average for 300 men was 1,045 points. The tests mostly were made by machines, but one is chinning a bar. Weltmer pulled himself up twenty-three times. In a contest to raise himself at arm's length above parallel bars Weltmer scored twenty-three times.

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Arthur Duffey, the ex-amateur sprint champion, says: "They have Howard Drew, the champion sprinter, going to enter the University of California now. Before the opening of the college athletic season they had Drew going to Dartmouth. Later Drew was going to Brown, but in spite of all the reports Drew remained at Springfield, hustling baggage about in the Springfield railroad station and knew but little about going to the different colleges. If Drew does go to the coast he is going to make a valuable addition to the westerners' athletic team. He is about the fastest thing in a running shoe I have seen for many a day."

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George Carpentier, the pugilistic idol of France, is not above discipline at the hands of the French Boxing Federation. He was recently fined $100 and his manager mulcted for a similar sum for his bout with Jim Lancaster at Geneva. Lancaster, it developed upon investigation, was in reality Max Abbott, and Carpentier was charged with boxing Abbott, knowing that he was not Lancaster. The other principals fared worse. Abbott was suspended for four months and the referee for nine.

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Clark Griffith says he is through buying pitchers.

"Go out and pick 'em up," says Griffith. "That's the way. Walter Johnson did not cost Washington a cent, while Boehling, Shaw, Bentley, Harper and Engle did not cost me a nickel. Boehling and Engle have made good already, while Shaw looks like a phenom, with Bentley and Harper showing great promise."

What Griffith says may be true, but the chances are that Boehling and Shaw will cost Washington something before another year has passed. Griffith has entered into an agreement to pay Dick Guy of Pittsburgh a handsome sum if Shaw makes good, while Bill Peet, the skillful Washington writer, has asked for $1,000 in return for having tipped the club off to Boehling. Up to date, however, he has had to whistle for his money, but he is getting rather tired of making that kind of music.

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At Melbourne, Australia, last week Hughie Mehegan, the Australian lightweight, won the decision over Pal Brown, an American pugilist, in an exciting twenty-round bout. Ten thousand spectators witnessed the fight. By winning Mehegan evened up the score with Brown, who defeated him on points in a twenty-round contest at Sydney in October.

FAN SAYS PLAYERS SHOULD QUIT CONTINUAL KICKING, AS THEY ARE LUCKY GROUP.

Few Players Have a Reason to Become Disgruntled at Conditions Today.

(By Jack Veiock.)

Several baseball bugs who hold membership in the hot stove league were overheard discussing ball players and the conditions under which they work in a downtown "emporium" the other day.

"I can't see," quoth one, between puffs, "why it is that ball players are always kicking. They get all the money these days and they work a short time for it. If they only knew it, they're the luckiest guys in the world."

This fan spoke words of wisdom, we must admit, but there are cases where players have just causes to kick up trouble, and these are the cases we always hear about. If some big league star says he is dissatisfied he generally has a pretty good reason for it there days and whether or not he happens to be a star, if he is recognized as a capable player he always gets a lot of publicity out of his rissatisfaction and the reasons for it.

But these players are comparatively few when one stops to think for a second of the hundreds of ball players in this man's land who never register a kick season in and season out.

The sum and solid substance of the whole matter is the majority don't realize how well off they are. The chronic kickers also forget that it is baseball that has made them and that if it hadn't been for the national game they would still be struggling in obscurity to earn commonplace livelihoods.

There has been a lot of talk from time to time that the ball player is the most downtrodden of the human race. Slavery has been linked with his name. But there is no such word known in baseball today. While there are trying moments in a ball player's career, on the other hand the opportunities to get ahead offset these. It's up to the man alone to succeed, and the history of the game shows a number of cases where men began with practically nothing, who afterward ascended the ladder of success. A volume could be written on this point alone.

Years Ago Players Earned Little Money.

Years ago ball players didn't have the same opportunity to make money that they do now. They didn't get the salaries. Few ever saved their money, and as a rule after they quit the game they were forced to drop into obscurity. But it's different today. The wise men in baseball are awake. And when we speak of wise men in baseball this covers wide territory, for there are many. Enlightened by the lesson of those before them, the present generation is putting by the money that seemingly comes in easy to them for a rainy day.

There are failures in baseball as well as successes. Out on the Pacific coast there is a former star who is working as a day laborer for a dollar a day. Now and then he picks up a few stray dollars tipping off managers to embryo stars. This man is Amos Rusie, whose name is engraved in baseball's history as one of the greatest pitchers the game has ever known.

Bugs Raymond was another. A truly wonderful pitcher, but he couldn't stick to the straight and narrow path. That accounted for his downfall. Purely as an instance, here are the cases of three great players. Everything was in their favor, but their eyes weren't open.

A ball player has plenty of chances to save money. The most of them do nowadays, for many realize that after they have spent the better part of their years in the game it is too late to begin at the bottom in some other line of business. Some of them are beating Father Time while they still play baseball. The unsophisticated fan imagines that the ball player can't do anything else but play ball. The truth is many players, particularly the collegians, were trained for other business before they ever started professional ball careers. Of course there is that type of player who can't do anything else but play ball, but he is getting to be in the minority.

COLORED FIGHTERS OUTPUNCH WHITES, SAYS JACK LESTER.

Heavyweight Who Took Beating from Langford Claims Negroes Hit Harder Than Whites.

New York.

Jack Lester, the heavyweight, whom Tommy Burns brought to the front and at one time called the most promising white hope in the land, is in town. Jack is quite different from most boxers inasmuch as he is without a manager and doesn't care whether he fights tomorrow or next year. He claims that he has all kinds of real estate in Taft, Cal., where he now makes his home.

Talks of Langford Fight.

"That is the most wide-open town in America," said Lester. "The gambling games are running night and day and the fellows out there are the greatest sports you'd want to meet. Besides having lots of property out there I own one-third interest in the fight arena where Langford and I recently met.

"Langford and I would have drawn more than $7,000 had not there been lots of confusion over the bleachers breaking. That Langford is sure some puncher. I had him out-clevered up to the time when he put over the punch to my solar plexus that made me take to the floor. My seconds threw up the sponge.

"I'm kind of glad that they don't let the colored fellows meet the white boxers here, as I think the black men can outclass us every time they start. Somehow or other they seem to hit harder than we do. I'll meet any white man in the business in New York and I am confident that I can beat them all."

Looks Like Flynn.

Lester looks a good deal like Jim Flynn. He is a rather squatty-built fellow, weighing 200 pounds and being 5 feet 8 inches in height. He is a flashy dresser and wears his watch and chain in the front pocket of his coat like the usual Western fighter.

After Burns brought Lester out he took him to Australia, where the latter made quite a reputation. His greatest victory was when he defeated Bill Lang in a twenty-round bout for the championship of the British Empire. Today he sports a diamond-studded watch charm as a token of the esteem in which his friends in the Antipodes regard him.

Fought Well Abroad.

Lester also fought Sam McVey twenty rounds, but lost the decision. He was also knocked out by McVey in nine rounds.

Since returning to this country Lester has won a twenty-round decision from Jack Hempel, who is managed by Alex Greggains; won a twenty-round decision over Charlie Horn at Bakersfield; won a twenty-round decision from Kid Kenneth, who holds an eight-round knockout over Al Kaufman to his credit; knocked out Mark O'Donnell at Taft in eleven rounds and stopped Young Al Kaufman in nine rounds.

FORCE BOXERS TO QUIT GAME WHILE YOUNG.

Ad Wolgast, at 25, is practically through as a fighter. Abe Attell and Bat Nelson were put out of the running at 28. All three were champions of their profession and listed among the most rugged of athletes.

That tells the big part of the story of the ring game, the most wearing and tearing of all sports.

The ring game is the only one in which a man is through in his profession while still in his youth.

Pop Geers at 60 is still one of the greatest trainers and drivers of trotting and pacing horses. Cy Young, who retired from active service last year, was a good pitcher at 45. William Larned is a champion tennis player at 32, Jerome Travers is national amateur golf champion at 40, and Barney Oldfield, at 30, has failed to be counted out by Father Time.

Constant reducing of weight to make 133 pounds, the lightweight limit, caused the death of Joe Gans. Constant reducing of weight has worn away the life of other fighters.

The terrific grind of training, the sacrifice of strength and nervous energy to make a certain weight and the strain of battle wear away the silk of a fighter with more telling effect than any work connected with any other form of athletics.

Bat Nelson was so tough and rugged he fought several hundred battles before he was beaten by Wolgast in 1910, the fight being stopped. That sounded the end of Nelson, for in the same year he was knocked out for the first time by Owen Moran, and has been of little value in the ring since.

Wolgast, in truth, was beaten by Willie Ritchie, and is about to retire at the age of 25.

Attell, at 28, reached the end of his string and was beaten by Johnny Kilbane, age 24. Jimmy Britt's career ended when he was 26. His knockout by Nelson was followed by knockouts by Gans, McFarland and Summers in quick succession.

Billy Papke, at 22, was knocked out by Ketchel, and since has been able to go only with second-raters.

Joe Rivers, the Mexican, at 18, was beaten by Kilbane, and is listed among the second-raters in his profession, although still too young to vote.

The records of fighters show without doubt which of all the sports is the most strenuous.

SWEDISH SCHOOLBOYS EXCEL.

Training System Brings Astonishing Athletic Results.

Experts who have visited Stockholm to watch the practice of the Swedish athletes have been treated to the most astonishing athletic results ever achieved by any system of training hitherto known. Schoolboy Swedes easily clear a six-foot pole in the high jump, while 5 feet 9 inches is thought nothing of.

Other events reach the same high standard as an everyday occurrence. Thus the average pole jump is from two to three feet higher than it is in England. It is all the work of a single trainer. He explained that it was due to the working out of the ideal styles.

Athletes, by following this course, he said, can surpass the best men of other countries by learning to do the thing in the right manner. They need to have no excessive natural ability. They don't practice any more. They are not more professional. It is simply that they do not waste energy and effort by going at things in the wrong manner.

It is the same with running. When the Swede is running it will at once be seen that the normal gait, the basic style, is no effort to him. As a Russian said, "The Britisher is so mortally afraid that he will be regarded as a professional the moment he ceases to be a duffer that he remains a duffer all his life."

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN FIGHTERS IN AUSTRALIA, THE CLASSIC FIGHTING GROUND.

Eighteen or twenty English and American boxers are now in Australia, and none of them appears anxious to come home. The going must be pretty good over there. Pal Brown, a Minnesota lightweight, is among the latest arrivals in the land where Jack Johnson wrested the heavyweight title from Tommy Burns, and he has been given the task of battling with Hughey Moheban, who is still styled the Australian lightweight champion, although it was my impression that Freddie Welsh took it away from him. Brown has made a good impression in Australia, but it was not exactly chummy to run him up against the toughest proposition they had for a starter.

The following list gives an idea of the material the Australians have to draw from during the coming season.

It now looks as if the California boxing promoters would proceed with the game which a large majority of the people like, but which is hammered every time an accident happens. There is no outcry when aviators or automobile racers are killed, and if some one is hit on the head with a baseball it goes as an accident. Boxing and football are the sports that have to take the kicks and cuffs. Most of those who raise the cry of brutality are well-meaning people, but they look through narrow angle lenses. No one who is really interested in the good of any sport objects to commonsense reforms, but that is not the idea of the alleged reformer. He desires to exterminate, and to accomplish his ends he continually uses shop-worn briefs.

YOUNG GEORGE DIXON CHALLENGES THE WORLD AT 122 TO 126.

To the Sporting Editor of The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Having defeated four of the toughest feathers in this neighborhood, I feel it my duty to state to you the fact that I am ready to talk business with any of your promoters down there. I am planning a trip to New Orleans soon, where I hope to box Tex Johnson, whom I have long asked for a match with. Now that Tommy Walsh, the present manager of Joe Mandot, is there, I want to reach there, then I want to erase One-Round Bess, as I learn he is a 126-pounder same as I. I am just as fast at 126 as at any other weight and would be pleased to meet the classy Bess, as I think they could arrange to be done, and I will wager $100 on my chance and gamble with the promoter on a percentage, otherwise I am forced to ask $150 guarantee. Surely they won't consider that a big sum, as they are aware of the fact that I a mforced to pay trainers and other expense. It would be a reasonable demand to ask the price that Eddie Myer, my former manager, asked the Plant Opera House for my services against Freddie Euck, the fast little Italian of Aurora. He went down to Streator, his home, and figured me in as a star attraction and made them believe he made the trip only to complete the agreement. I informed them of the extra expense and demanded $250 as guarantee, as we had to forfeit $100 for weight and appearance. I was two pounds over weight at 5:15, as I had to take the late train and was not there to weigh in at 3 o'clock in the afternoon as per agreement. I was forced to get into a Turkish bath where I remained an hour and three minutes. I was allowed to eat only one meal that day at 9 a. m. I boxed cleverly in the first round, better than I ever did in my life, and had their boy looking bad, but beginning to mix it in the second round, I found that my springlike wallop had been left in the Turkish bath, and I was often floored with one of the cleanest uppercuts in history, which I stopped with my chin, I was in a very bad way, and as we boxed before a record crowd, they all demanded that the bout be stopped. They were aware that the decision would be in the Italian's favor should it be stopped at that time. They have tried time and again to get a return match with Euck, but he has turned a deaf ear to my offer.

The South Side Athletic Club has made several efforts to annex his name to a set of articles, but in vain.

I am to have my photo and record in the 1914 Sporting Annual, and I do hope to get a chance to show down there in the near future. Should I be given a chance I will show my class as a boxer. For five years I have boxed cleverly and I know nothing else at present, so they can expect to see a wonderful scrap of speed and cleverness, no matter who I do battle with.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Hoping an early reply, I am,
Respectfully,
YOUNG GEORGE DIXON,
Hotel Del Prado, Chicago, Ill.

IS BATTLING NELSON BROKE AFTER LONG RING CAREER?

Is Battling Nelson broke? It is a hard matter to believe that the fighting Dane has come to the end of his string as a boxer and gone broke at the same time, but in his ring career of seventeen years he has pulled down more "green persimmons" than any lightweight in the business.

But Is Hard Up.

There must be something to the report, as Nelson let it out after his bout with Wolgast, for which he got something like $2,500, that he was badly in need of ready cash. This appears plausible to those who know him, as he has made several losing investments in real estate and mining propositions, besides a venture in a New Mexico ranch and another in California, which turned out to be "white elephants."

Billy Nolan, his old manager, stated that "Bat's" money had been sunk in several doubtful mining schemes which had failed to materialize on anything but the paper.

Is Property Poor.

Coupled to these non-producing ventures in the financial world is Nelson's charitable disposition and, as he is not given to alcoholic excess, we must naturally come to the conclusion that Battling Nelson is property poor.

Seventeen years is a long time to stay in a game which is the toughest in the world to beat, clean up on every deal and then at the end find you have only been playing against the check-rack.

Nelson is a native of Copenhagen, Denmark, born June 5, 1882, making his age a little over 31 years. He didn't lose much time after he cleared the gangplank at the pier in getting busy with the "mitts."

His First Fight.

His initial appearance was with Kid Wallace at Hammond, Ind., September 3, 1896. Wallace was the mascot with the Wallace circus, and Bat, by stopping him in one round, laid the foundation of his fortune, which was one large, round silver dollar.

He has taken more punishment in his time than ten ordinary boxers could stand up under, and wound up each time with a grand-stand finish and good-natured grin.

KID FIELDS ISSUES CHALLENGE.

Defeated By Billy McClure.

On the 10th day of December, 1913, I boxed Billie McClure at West Baden, Ind., and found him to be one of the best little men I have met in a long time. He gave me a fair and square defeat, and I have no kick to make. I only hope is game enough to box me once more. I was treated fine there and hope to box in that city again at the next show.

I issue a challenge through this paper for a bout at the same place with Billie, and I wish to box with one arm free the next time.

I am also open to box any featherweight in the world. I can be reached through the Freeman or at the Hotel Edward Barber Shop, Indianapolis, Ind.

KID FIELDS, Featherweight.

TENER WILL DEMAND STRICT DISCIPLINE ON BALL FIELD.

New National League Head Says Umpires Should Be Positive, but Reasonable in Making Decisions—Says Players Have Right to Be Heard.

Strict discipline on the baseball field is one of the things President John K. Tener of the National League will demand oof his umpires, according to his secretary, David Leroy Reeves, with whom he has discussed the umpire problem.

The only person who can preserve order on the ball field is the umpire, President Tener said, and he added by way of emphasis that in matters of discretion and judgment, where the umpire is not specially guided by rules, he should be supreme.

President Tener's idea of what the ideal arbiter should be was expressed as follows:

"I do not wish to be understood as meaning that an umpire should be a law unto himself; that his manner should be dictatorial, his attitude arrogant and his entire demeanor evidence a self-satisfied air that would brook no argument or intercession. Right the contrary. I think an umpire should be conciliatory but firm, positive but polite, quick but undemonstrative, strict but reasonable."

Regarding the disciplining of players the new president said he was opposed to the general practice employed in meting out punishment t oplayers for offenses committed on the field. He said:

"One of the cardinal principles of justice is that every man should have an opportunity to be heard, to present his side of the case. If a player is guilty of the charges submitted by the umpire, and has no equitable or reasonable defence, the ends of justice and the morals of discipline can be served just as well by suspending the player three or four days after the violation has occurred and all the evidence received and investigater as by an immediate suspension following the report of the arbitrator.

"To my mind the club owner is really the one who suffers most by a player's suspension. The player's absence weakens the team and in the end the club owner is the real sufferer.

"There is no reason why such cases should not be considered in the most lenient attitude possible and by all means obtain the facts in the case from both sides before the player is punished by suspension."

FAVORS BOXING COMMISSION.

Mayor-elect Benjamin Bosse of Evansville, Ind., is considering the appointment of a boxing commission to have charge of the fight game in this city after he takes office in January. At a recent boxing match here there were more than 800 paid admissions, convincing Mr. Bosse that a big element here favors clean sport. Permission to hold boxing exhibitions will have to be obtained from this commission and the mills must be pulled off under its supervision.

KID SAM IN THE RING.

Wishes to Hear from Good Ones.

Kid Sam, and not Kid Low, as The Freeman had it last week, is back in the ring and would like to hear from good ones, such as Kid Fields, Young Lowery, Kid Turner, Kid Hoy, Young Joe Gans, and others. Sam says Turner must be agraid of him as he (Sam) has written Turner and not reecived an answer. He wishes to meet all the big guns. Kid Sam can be reached by addressing his in care of Champion Theater, 1900 Alley C, Birmingham, Ala. Kid Sam says, what would the colored boxers do if it were not for the Freeman.

THE FREEMAN CHRISTMAS ISSUE A HUMMER.

Weyburn, Sask., Canada, Dec. 24.
Editor The Freeman, 220 West Vermont Street, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—Yours of the 20th inst. first arrived with the Christmas edition of The Freeman. It certainly is a hummer and a paper that all colored people should be proud of.

Mr. Grant Johnson, one of my employers, was pleasantly surprised to learn that our race printed such an up-to-the-minute sheet, and he joins me in congratulating you and your staff on your clever work, and we sincerely trust you will continue to lead the majority of colored journals and make all the white ones set up and take notice.

You must excuse me for requesting you to publish that advertisement for a wife without enclosing the price.

I did not know that a year's subscription was a half-dollar more over here, but the old Freeman is worth it and enclosed herewith find a half-dollar more, for which please publish the following ad. in your next edition.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mattie Holowell and Mrs. Carrie Johnson were in the city last Sunday, the guests of Mrs. Holowell's mother, Mrs. Crowdey....Mrs. Mollie Tinsley, formerly of this city but now of Boonesville, is quite sick. Her aunt, Mrs. Lucy Ross, is much concerned about her condition.... Miss Susie Holowell is quite ill, but she shows signs of recovery....Messrs. R. E. Lacey, R. B. Bett, Poligray, George Bunion, Ben Nasiom, John Childress, R. B. Bridges, John Dotson are all business men of our city....Mr. and Mrs. George Dailey made their little daughter a present of a beautiful Negro doll.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

During this month The Freeman will be $1 a year.

Miss Tillie McGlasson entertained at dinner Monday. Covers were laid for ten.

The Lotus Dance on New Year's evening, was a grand affair and largely attended.

Mrs. Edward Anthony, of Gallatin, Tenn., was in the citt ylast week en route to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker, of West 11th street, are the proud parents of a 9-pound baby girl.

Mr. J. B. Dabney of Hopkinsville, Ky., was in the city on business last week. He returned home Wednesday.

Miss Jeanette Hines, of Shelbyville, Ind., was the guest of Mrs. Thomas Wallace, Brooker street, during the holidays.

Miss Jeanette Hines, of Shelbyville, Ind., who has been visiting Mrs. Thomas Wallace, on Brooker street, has returned to her home.

The minstrel given by the members of the Royal Club at Tomlison Hall Friday evening, was a success and an enjoyable affair.

Mr. James H. Anderson, editor of the Amsterdam News, New York, passed through Indianapolis last week en route to Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Julius Taylor, of Rensselaer, Ind., is visiting in this citty, the guest of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Rice, of 1449 Golay avenue.

Mr. W. H. Lee, of Louisville, Ky., was in the city last week, looking around with the prospects of locating. He left for Chicago last Sunday morning.

Charles Stewart, the well-known newspaper correspondent, was in the city last week on his way to Chicago to spend his holidays. He had been visiting Wilberforce.

Ed. Daniels and Walker Adams of Wazash, Ind., visited the former's daughters, Mrs. Ada Cebolt and Miss Viola Daniels, Christmas. Mr. Daniels left for home Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Wallace entertained at dinner Tuesday evening for Miss Jeanette Hines, of Shelbyville, Ind., and Miss Lotttie Gordon, of Vincennes, Ind. Covers were laid for six.

At the home of Mrs. Ella Todd on Monday evening a number of her young friends gathered and a most delightful time was spent in dancing and other amusements. Mrs. Todd is a most delightful host.

The Ladies Union Social Club, of Brightwood, gave a Christmas dinner at the residence of Mrs. Brooks, 2362 Wheeler avenue. Covers were laid for sixty-three. The ladies' husbands were guests of honor with the exception of a few friends.

The Grand Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Nu Fraternitty gave a reception and promenade Tuesday evening, December 30, at the Pythian Temple, and this was an exceptional affair. The guests were out in large numbers and everyone ha da most enjoyable time.

Miss Vetolia Hayes, of 3761 Vernon avenue, Chicago, has been the guest of Mrs. Elwood Knox, and her friend Miss Mabelle Smith, stenographer for The Freeman, during the entire holidays, and Miss Hayes has made many friends at the Hoosier Capital with her charming personality and not one moment lost in being entertained. She has been a guest of honor at many diner and theater parties, in fact Miss Hayes is very much impressed with the hospitality shown her in this citty.

Among the happy society events of Christmas day was a 6 o'clock, seven-course champagne dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Milton, of 222½ Indiana avenue. The out of town guests were Mrs. Lenny Griffin, of Kokomo; Mrs. Blanche Turner, and Mrs. Grace Young, of Anderson; Mrs. Edith Lerels, of Richmond; Mr. Leander Lewis, of Cincinnati; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Hartie Givens, of Indianapolis. Brilliant decorations of bright hue carnations and roses made the table mostt elaborate. Later in the evening there was music and whist.

BETHEL FORUM.

Bethel Forum will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Negro's Emancipation from slavery, Sunday evening, Jan. 4, at 8 p. m., regular hour for evening services.

The following program wil be rendered:

Invocation .... Rev. D. P. Roberts
Selection, Zion Awake ..... Bethel Choir
Why we celebrate the Emancipation.. .... Bethel Forum, Pres. H. Scurry
How the Emancipation has effected the Negro Educationally—Ethical Culture Society, Atty. William Henderson.
Vocal Solo ..... Miss Oneda Washington
How Emancipation has effected the Negro Politically—Y. M. C. A. Life Problem Club, Cecil Powell.
Selection, Father, O Hear Us .... Bethel Choir
How the Emancipation has effected the Negro Socially—Second Baptist Mitet Society, Miss Laura Avery.
How the Emancipation has effected the Negro Economically—Shiloh Senate, Atty. R. L. Bailey.
Vocal Solo .... Wallace Wolfork
Address—Land of Opportunities, ... Miss Julia Harrison Moore
Selection .... Bethel Choir

Program will start promptly at 8 p. m.

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FOND REMEMBRANCE.

In loving remembrance of Mrs. Rose Heston, who died a year ago, December 31, 1912.

HER DAUGHTERS.

SIMPSON M. E. CHURCH.

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Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Preaching, 11:00 a. m. Subject, "The Beauty and Pleasure of Church Fellowship."

The prayer band meets at 3:00 p. m., led by Mrs. M. A. Sissle. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Preaching, 7:30 p.m. Subject, "God's Command to the Church to Move Forward."

This is the first Sabbath in the new year, let us begin the year with renewed activity for every interest of the Kingdom of God in the earth.

H. A. FOREMAN, Pastor.

HAZZARD BASKETS 18 POINTS.

Reds Double Score on Weary Blues—All Highs Beat Working Boys.

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All Highs	1	1	.500
Working Boys	0	2	.000

The feature of Saturday's games was the flinging of George Hazzard, captain of the Reds, which played a big part in the defeat of the Blues by the Reds by the score of 32 to 16. Hazzard alone scored more points than the whole Blue team. George registered 19 points.

The Working Boys were thoroughly outplayed by the All Highs. Of the 7 points scored Harrison made 6 of them. The school boys earned 16 points, 9 of which go to Carr's credit.

NEGRO DOLL PRIZE WINNERS AT TOMLINSON HALL.

Blanche Booth's Doll Takes First Place at Children's Hour Entertainment Makes Doll's Clothes.

One of the features of the Children's Hour entertainment given by the W. C. T. U. Friday afternoon of last week at Tomlinson Hall was the doll contest. A number of little girls entered dolls in the contest for a prize doll, which was to be given to the little "mother" whose own doll got the most points. The picture here shows the prize winner, whose little "mother" is Blanch Booth, age 13 years, the youngest daughter of R. L. Booth, 626 West 12th street. Little Miss Booth shows much taste for a young seamstress in the selection of the doll's clothes, which she made herself. She is to be commended on the fact that she entered a Negro doll in the contest, which was won over a number of other kinds.

Over a thousand children from all over the city witnessed the contest. Miss Frances M. Berry, a public-spirited woman, and a teacher in the public schools, was the director of the entertainment, which consisted of music and folk dances.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Rev. Banks Addressed Monster Meeting.

Rev. O. H. Banks, presiding elder of the Indianapolis Distrtictt A. M. E. Zion church, addressed last Sunday's "Monster Meeting" on the subject of "Personal Influence." The speaker emphasized the fact that matters not his or her station in life, everyone exerts an influence for good or bad." And on this basal condition he made a plea to the me nthat they so conduct themselves as to have their lives count as a good influence.

Prof. Chas. E. Underwood, Dean of the Biblical Department, Butler College, will address the "Monster Meting" Sunday, January 4, on the subject, "Every Man a Capitalist." The Elam trio will render a special number. Band concert from 3 to 3:30. All men invited.

The Kappa Alpha Nu fraternity held its third annual meeting in the educational parlors this week. An alumni chapter was installed composed of some of the prominent college men, of the city.

The basket ball league, whoch was started on December 20, is proving a big factor in increasing the attendance and interest in the gymnasium. About 40 players are participating in the game.

TWO THOUSAND PERSONS ATTEND CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Miss Frances Berry Foster's Affair Which Proves Unique and Successful—Poor Children Get Tickets.

One of the most unique entertainments given in Indianapolis in recent years was the Children's Hour, under the management of Miss Frances M. Berry. It was given for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. work in Marion county, of which Mrs. M. A. Clark is superintendent. There were nearly 2,000 persons, including the children, in attendance, and a more orderly, more appreciative crowd has very rarely been assembled. A splendid program was rendered, consisting of folk dances, kindergarten plays, gymnastic exhibitions, minuets and marches, directed by Mesdames J. T. V. Hill, Ada Dodson, Edna Flemming and Misses Hazel Bates and Rose Henderson and Mr. F. E. DeFrantz. Every number on the program showed work and interest and every touch of the artist. The persons in charge are among the city's best talent in the entertainment field. Mrs. Harriet Kelley and Mrs. Wm. E. Henderson managed two interesting concessions in the long corridors of the balcony floor. In Babyland a large number of babies were registered. Mothers with babies were served punch free. Babies were cared for by a trained nurse where desired, and Elmer Herron's stringed orchestra entertained with a series of concerts. In Santa Claus' Home the children were entertained with concerts by the Boys' Club Orchestra, directed by Mr. Wm. E. Grubbs, and were given candies or fruits for a five-cent admission. Hhe National Biscuit Company sent a large box of cakes in animal design to serve the kindergarten babies, who, with their mothers, occupied the box seats on the main floor. The hall was beautifully decorated after holiday fashion. The large painting of Frances E. Willard was suspended from above the platform.

MISS FRANCES BERRY

Three full orchestras—Kioda Barbers', the Boys' Club and Elmer Herron's String Orchestra—furnished the music.

There were several white persons in attendance, all of whom spoke in most appreciative terms of the entertainment.

Prizes were given for dressed dolls, mothers of largest families in attendance, "lucky baby" prize and prizes for ticket selling. They consisted of two rockers, a carving set, jardiniere stand, doll, eight story books, school shoes, two raincoats and baby sulky, all of which were given to Miss Berry by leading business houses.

Five hundred and fifty children's tickets were purchased and given to children who possibly could not have come to the party otherwise.

Madam C. J. Walker, the noted hair culturist, and Mr. Clarence E. Dunlop, a prominent business man, led the list of donors, with fifty tickets each. Others were Madam Brice, Dr. C. N. Perkins, Chas. Maye, Joshua Spears, Archie Greathouse, Mesdames Emma Brown Buckner, Carl Settles, Eliza Wells, Mary Phillips, Maria Meyers and Miss Birdie Collins. Several missionary organizations and clubs also purchased tickets which were donated to a number of boys and girls. Many young women brought children from homes where there was no mother to come. Others brought children from homes where the mothers could not spare money to dress the little ones and themselves. Still others brought whole families where the mothers were ill.

Reception Committee.

Mesdames Katherine Armstead, Mary Palmer Smith, Susie Milliken and Emma Duvall received at the main entrance and also directed persons to the various parts of the hall. Mesdames Lillian Jones Brown, Eva Stokes, Ida Bryant, Gertrude Hickman, Eliza Wells, Minnie Scott, Nannie Wright, Georgia Smoot, Addie Simms and Mary E. Cable served as matrons for the party. They wore white ribbon streamers with "Matron" artistically done in water colors, and the children knew they were the "mothers" for the afternoon and that they were on duty to see that every child was cared for properly. Twenty young girls, for most part babyroom and kindergarten teachers, with Mrs. Ada Dodson, served as floor directodrs. They became such a part of the children that all distinctions were forgotten.

Christmas Spirit Exemplified.

The entertainment was surely a financial success, but far above this was the "Christmas spirit," the love for our neighbor's children, the order and appreciation, the atmosphere, the pride in the hearts of the mothers and fathers for the little ones, and the real joy in the hearts of the children.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

City Crowded With Visitors During the Holidays—Business Concerns Cutting Down the Help—The Freeman in Great Demand—News in General.

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Christmas shopping is over, and now other things of importance claim our attention. Winter weather is upon us, and many of our citizens are out of employment, and there are many sick and poor who need your assistance. Daily the laborers are on the streets seeking work. With the cost of living as high as it can possibly get, the outlook is a grave one. Those who toil and are dependent upon their labors for sustenance of themselves and families are becoming alarmed at the reduction of forces at the large and small concerns that employ labor. Just why this state of affairs exists is not plain to us, for there is no earthly excuse for a depression in business further than that caused by the coming of winter. We hope our people will awake to the situation and live as economically as possible, and perhaps by the time the new year is well under way business will have resumed its normal condition and our idle workmen will again have employment.

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The city was crowded with out-of-town visitors and shoppers during the holidays. Dallas is a great trading center and a large volume of Christmas shopping is always carried on by our large stores.

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The wet goods merchants did their share of business during the holidays.

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Mrs. Sallie Lawrence and Mrs. Angeline Hendricks, of Sherman, spent several days in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poole and family, 107 Dixon street. They returned home in company with Mr. Poole and his two sons and grandsons, the latter spending Christmas in Sherman.

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Mrs. William Officer has returned to San Francisco, Cal., where she will join her husband and go into business.

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Mr. Houston Mitchell returned from a brief visit in the state of Oklahoma.

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Joe Winn is with the A. G. Allen Minstrels and is making good.

Mrs. Maude Wren, of Whitewater, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Trailor, 1110 South Pearl street.... Mrs. Will C. Jones and daughter spent the holidays with her husband's mother at Huntsville, Texas, and visited relatives and friends in Beaumont and Houston.

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Mrs. Eliza Gasper, of Corsicana, a sister of Mrs. Malissia Price, here, spent several days in the city.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, of Marshall, Texas, have returned to their home. They had an enjoyable visit.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed White, of Alvern, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. William C. Moore, 2811 Commerce street, during the holidays. They have returned home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin left for Pine Bluff, Ark., on a two weeks' bridal tour. They have the best wishes of a host of Dallas friends.

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Mr. George Williams, the McKinney avenue barber, is all smiles over the success of his two rival quartets—the Polishers and Pressers—who can sing some songs that please. These singers are at 1308½ McKinney avenue daily. The issue through the Freeman a challenge to meet any other quartet in a song contest.

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Mrs. Lou Rose visited relatives and friends at her old home town of Greenville and reports having had a delightful time.

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The bellhops at the St. George hotel, under the leadership of Messrs. Zip Wesley and C. Stone, have begun the new year in a more determined way to be an uplift to the boys at the St. George.

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It is gratifying to note at the various barber shops in the city that the men and boys all call for the Freeman to read, for which we are thankful, and hope to further serve you one and all.

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All the churches held exercises last Sunday that were largely attended, and many made known their intentions to do better work in the future for the various places of worship by regular attendance and otherwise aiding the cause of religion.

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The business men had their places artistically decorated for the holidays.

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It is renewal time, and a special bargain rate is now on for your consideration, so take advantage of this grand opportunity and have the Freeman in your home the entire year, as it will only cost you $1. See J. G. Griffin at once, as this offer only lasts through the month of January, nd you will have to hurry now.

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Mr. A. G. Rhodes, the plumber, is back from an extended trip into the flooded districts of southern Texas. He reports that half of the suffering among the members of the race will never be known, and that the loss to hundreds can never be replaced.

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The Mayes Medicine Company sent $25 worth of medicines to the flood sufferers in southern Texas, for which they have received a large number of letters expressing heartfelt thanks for the gifts.

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Mrs. C. Donnell, of this city, is spending the holidays inEl Paso, the guest of her husband's relatives and friends.

Mrs. Granville Lacy and children joined her sister, Mrs. B. G. Green, and daughter, Mrs. Calvert, to be at the bedside of their sick mother on last Sunday. She was reported very ill.

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The remains of Mr. Wm. Jordon, a wealthy pioneer citizen of Queen City, were laid at rest last Friday from his residence. The services were under the auspices of Paul Drayton Masonic Lodge of this city, of which deceased was a member. Mr. Jordon was a man of sterling qualities and was loved by both races. He leaves a valuable estate.

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Yuletide merriment and joy were enjoyed at the following residences on Xmas: Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Towsell, State street; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Avery and Mrs. G. A. Mayes, Oak street; Mrs. Milly Barrett, Cochran street; Mr. Wm. Mansfield, corner Allen and Cochran streets; Mr. and Mrs. Lay, New street; Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Holloway, Juliet street; Star theater, Elm street; Mrs. Susie Flowers and daughter, Canton street; Mr. and Mrs. Doc Richardson, State street; Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Brown, Routh street; Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Dixon, Gillott street; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Herndon, North Central avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullin, Diamond street; Mr. and Mrs. General John L. Jones, Union alley; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mayes, Diamond street; Mr. and Mrs. George Rabinson, Greenwood street, and a large number of others whom the reporter could not get. However, the invitation is open to one and all to send in their news items, advertisements, local writeups and general information concerning matters of importance concerning the race. Call I. G. Griffin.

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The sayings of men, women and children here and there for The Freeman:

Mr. J. T. Rosewool of Kleburg—I want The Freeman in my home all the time.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mose Taylor—We have come to look upon The Freeman as a permanent fixture in our home.

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Mrs. M. E. Mitchell—I didn't know that The Freeman was so newsy.

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Mrs. Lizzie Richardson—I don't know how I could do without The Freeman in my home. It is so interesting each week.

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Mr. G. O. Armstrong—I always like to have The Freeman.

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Mr. C. D. Dons—I have heard so many people speak of The Freeman—send it to us.

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Greggs & Jones, Tailors—The ad. we carry brings us abundance of work, so continue to do all the good you can and we will do the rest.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. Raines—We have been reading The Freeman so long that it would almost be a crime to quit it.

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Mr. Ed. Wilburn—The Freeman helps me to shape the future in life in the right and shun the evils and pitfalls.

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Fat Jack—Man, that Freeman is the greatest paper on earth. I read it regularly.

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Jerome Smith—I just must have it. Fessor, keep it coming.

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Hoggie Lewis—I can't read much, but I can spell what our people are doing when The Freeman comes every week, also just what others of the race should accomplish.

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Ed. Manning—I am in good with Griff and The Freeman must come every week to me.

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Mr. Ed. Welch—The Freeman I find all over the city. Griffin, you are a pusher in the right place. Keep it up.

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Mr. Will Campbell—It is the only paper to read.

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Mr. Will Clark—Me and the postman will have it if The Freeman don't show up.

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Mrs. G. A. Hall—The Freeman is so uplifting to one and all, everybody should buy and read it.

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Mrs. S. O. Jackson—We always get it on time and then there's nothing doing until I read it over.

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Mrs. Willie Herndon—No matter where one goes, if they get The Freeman they are cheered up. I can't do without it.

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Mrs. Emma Murphy—It is all sunshine in my home when The Freeman comes.

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Mrs. R. L. Cole—The Freeman is like greeting a host of old-time friends each week.

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Mr. Leonard Kyles—There is no one but me, so I keep The Freeman for company.

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Mrs. J. C. Garner—The Freeman is like unto the manna. It gets better each week.

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Mr. Chas. M. Wade—The Freeman is filling a long-felt want for our people everywhere.

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Mr. Ellis Willis—The borrowers of The Freeman are so bad that I have to hide it for my own use.

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Hon. C. C. Wiggins—The Freeman is one paper for all the people and you are to be congratulated for the part that you are daily doing in this city for the masses of our people. Let it grow.

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Mr. James Johns—Put me on each year for The Freeman, because it gives one and all a square deal in its columns.

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Bud Kendell—I love it more and more each time it comes.

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Mr. L. A. Briscoe—This is my fifteenth year to read The Freeman. May it continue to come on and lift up my people everywhere.

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Mrs. Squire Jackson—When the mail man fails to leave it on time I get mad.

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Dr. R. T. Hamilton—I note your success here in handling The Freeman and I see it in many homes where I am called. May it continue to grow to more usefulness to our people.

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Mr. James Price—Here is your money, but don't fail to send The Freeman.

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Miss Mary Howard—Let The Freeman continue to come.

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Mr. L. C. Black—It's The Freeman for my home. Its advice is cheering and wholesome.

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Dr. M. C. Cooper—The Freeman is on time each week and should be read more by the race.

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Mr. E. J. Hendriks—I like the publication so well I would be at a loss without it.

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Mrs. Mattie Baker—Me and the mail man have a fuss when he's late with my Freeman.

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Mrs. Sibyl Smith—The Freeman is filled with interesting news each week.

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Mrs. Annie Johnson—I have read The Freeman for years and can't do without it.

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Mr. G. B. Montgomery—The Freeman is next to the madam and my church. Keep it coming.

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Mr. P. D. Young—There are numbers of our people who don't know the value of The Freeman each week.

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Mrs. Lizzie Graves—Here is the money for daughter's Freeman. We have letters from brother stating that he gets The Freeman each week. For which we all thank you very much.

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Watch next week's Freeman. It's a hot one. The loudmouths and fat men mix up.

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PENSACOLA, FLA.

Young Men's Pleasure Club Gives First Christmas Dance—Mr. and Mrs. McCray Entertained the Young Married Ladies—The Death of Mrs. Katie Allen—News in General.

(By Walker Wilmer Thomas.)

Freeman headquarters at the Thomas & Lewis General Newspaper and Magazine Company's office, 427 West LaRua street. Phone 823.

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News In General.

The coming of Christmas was heralded by a storm and gale Wednesday night followed by a fall of the mercury and Christmas day Pensacola felt the first touch of a cold wave.

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The members of the Young Men's Pleasure Club have selected their king and queen for the grand carnation and masquerade bill to be given on February 20. Those who are to compose the royal Court of Bartholomew will be members of Pensacola's society circles. Every yeat this organization celebrates in this manner during the carnival season, and our most prominent people, old and young, take great interest in the affair, which always precedes Lent.

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Christmas day was spent very quietly in Pensacola. Many poor people were remembered by the many cheerful givers. The children were all happy, and no disorderly conduct was reported.

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"The Leopard's Spots," the play written by Thomas Dixon, will play here this week. The New York Age severely criticises this play of Dixon's.

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The first Christmas dance given by the Young Men's Pleasure Club was held at Williams hall and was a great success. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Music was furnished by the entire Collins orchestra. Among those to enjoy the evening were the following: Misses Madlue Dorsey, Rebecca Jordan, Gussie Dawson, Lucile and Georgia Hale, Esta Adams, Minnie Williams, Maggie Gillyard, Cammie Horton, Bertha Royster, Josephine Armstrong of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. John Laster, Mrs. Ed Rhone, Mrs. S. E. Gamblin, Messrs. Cleveland Shelby, Frank Taylor, James Grant, C. F. Farily, R. H. Bennett, Warren Gomery, Lank Morris, Woodley Lewis, Robert Wilkins, Bertram White, Willie Parker, Wilkie Douglas, Jim Baron, C. Howard, N. J. Adams, B. Lewis, Andrew W. and Fred Preer, Charlie Baugh, Jack D. Wynn, L. LeVard Colbert, J. Caesar Lewis, Walker W. Thomas and others.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emmet McCray delightfully entertained the young married ladies last week at Williams hall at a social. The hall was lavishly decorated for the occasion. The affair was one of the most brilliant of the season. Music was furnished and dancing lasted until a late hour. Delicious punch was served to the guests, who enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Costella Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lantern, Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Lampkins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McDuffy, Mr. and Mrs. Emmet McCray, Mrs. R. H. Bennett, Mrs. Wm. Edwards, Mrs. C. Peters, Mrs. George Green, Mrs. W. Robinson, Mrs. Charles Newton, Mrs. C. V. Scott, Mrs. DeSoto, Mrs. F. Thomas, Mrs. F. Gilmore, Mrs. J. E. Sheppard, Mrs. Jenkins, Misses Hortons, Minnie Geralds, Rena Brown, Bessie Benjamin, Annice Wynn, Bertha Robinson, Claudie B. Foster, Florence McIntosh, Nettie B. Williams, Messrs. Joseph McDuffy, B. Lewis, James Grant, Perry McLemore, William Sliket, Eddie Oliver, Thomas Brown, Mr. Surles, Gussie Brown, Clayton Allen, Jas. Burnnons, Tony McCray, Jack D. Wynn, J. Caesar Lewis and Walker W. Thomas.

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The sailors of the U. S. S. Priere entertained last Friday at a German supper at the K. of P. hall. A large number was present. An enjoyable evening was spent by all in attendance. The sailors were declared delightful entertainers.

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Mr. J. Caesar Lewis has purchased a half interest in the Thomas News Company. This is delightful news to Mr. Lewis' many friends, who wish for him and Mr. Thomas the greatest of success. Don't forget to report all of your news before Friday of each week. We will be glad to receive news of interest.

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Miss Katie Allen, the young daughter of Mrs. Napoleon Rancifer, died last week at her home, 312 N. Baylen street, after a very short illness. Her death was quite a shock to her many friends, who regret to learn of the sad event. The funeral services were conducted at the home of the deceased by Rev. F. H. Cummings, pastor of Big Zion church, of which the young lady was a member. The pallbearers were Samuel McMillia, Joseph Lattermore, James Green, Walter Thomas, H. Chandler and Walker W. Thomas. A number of beautiful floral designs were placed on the grave.

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Miss Mary A. Wilson and Mr. W. White were married last week at the beautiful home of the bride's parents on the bay shore. A large number of friends from the city and the Navy Yard were present. The young couple received a large number of beautiful presents. Their many friends wish them a long and happy wedded life.

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Don't forget to report all of your news to the Thomas & Lewis General News Company.

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The representative of the Freeman was entertained at aChristmas dinner by Mrs. Alice Porter at her beautiful home on North D street, and Mrs. Sidney Wynn at her beautiful home on East Gonzalez street. He enjoyed the hospitality of these ladies to the highest extent.

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We will be glad to receive all news for publication. Report it before Friday of each week to the following parties: Rev. C. J. Jackson, J. Caesar Lewis, Jack D. Wynn or Walker W. Thomas.

During this month The Freeman will be $1 a year.

NEWS NOTES OF AURORA, ILL.

Mrs. John Morton spent Christmas in Chicago with friends and relatives.... Mrs. Robert Barbee gave the Bridgford family dinner at their home, 120 N. May street, all of the family being present. Those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. William Allen and daughter, of Dekalb, Ill.; Mrs. Henry Price and Mr. John Bridgford, of Paris, Mo. The day was spent in much joy and happiness.... Mrs. Ester Bridgford entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dunette, Mr. Mitchell Bridgford, daughter and son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barbee and daughter, in honor of Mrs. Henry Price and Mr. John Bridgford, of Paris, Mo., who are here visiting their relatives.... Mr. Loyd Hall is home for Christmas... Mrs. Blanche Carter and husband, visited her mothter Christmas....Rev. Martin, of Chicago, preached at the Third Baptist church Friday evening. The program was very interesting. Mrs. H. E. Gibbs read a splendid paper, "The March of Progross," after which Mrs. Stanford Wilson sang one of her beautiful solos, closing with songs by the trio and an instrumental solo by Miss Marguerite Hall ....Mrs. Robert Williams, of Marion, Ind., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Stanford Wilson....Mr. Zerbie Brown, of Broad Land, Ill., is visiting Miss Anna Shock... Miss Anna Shock and Miss E. Soil spent Christmas in Chicago with relatives.... Miss Nettie and Virginia Cantril spent Christmas with relatives in Joliet, Ill. ....Miss Fannie and Maud Patterson were visiting their relatives.

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